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ALBANIAN INTEGRITY MUST REMAIN INVIOLATE

BRITAIN'S WARNING TO MUSSOLINI

PARIS, APR. 5.

DIPLOMATIC ADVICES FROM ALBANIA REPORT THAT ITALIAN TROOPS WILL POSSIBLY LAND IN ALBANIA TO-DAY OR TO-MORROW.

The report states that the Albanians rejected the original proposals by Signor Mussolini that the country should be peacefully occupied.

Since then, however, King Zog is stated to have withdrawn his objections.—*United Press.*

BRITAIN OBJECTS

LONDON, Apr. 4.—Great Britain has indirectly warned Italy that any infringement of Albania's integrity would violate the 1938 Anglo-Italian friendship agreement.—*United Press.*

RECIPROCAL PACT WITH POLAND

LONDON, Apr. 4. — COLONEL JOSEF BECK'S visit to the Foreign Office to-day lasted until lunch time.

Although particulars are as yet unavailable, it is expected that Colonel Beck intimated that Poland would consider it a moral obligation to make the guarantee reciprocal.

The Jewish emigration question was very likely raised by Colonel Beck so that Jews could be covered by the evacuation scheme as was being worked out for Germany.

After lunching with Viscount and Lady Halifax, Colonel Beck was due to see Chamberlain in the House of Commons at 5 o'clock to-day.

Talks at the Foreign Office were attended on the British side by Viscount Halifax, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Mr. Orme, Mr. Sargent and Mr. William Strange, and for the Poles by Colonel Beck, the Ambassador, Count Raczynski, and M. Potocki of the Polish Foreign Office.

Quite Satisfactory

"Quite satisfactory progress" is the description in official circles of the Anglo-Polish conversations which lasted most of the day, and which will be resumed to-morrow.

Colonel Beck, accompanied by the Polish Ambassador, had a conversation this morning with Viscount Halifax and Foreign Office officials.

Viscount Halifax entertained Colonel Beck to lunch, the guests including the Duke and Duchess of Kent, Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Anthony Eden.

Afterwards, Colonel Beck had nearly two hours in conversation with Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax at the House of Commons.

Official reticence is maintained regarding the nature of the discussions.

"The safety curtain has been dropped, and will not be lifted between acts," it is explained in authoritative quarters.—*Reuter.*

Anglo-French Talks

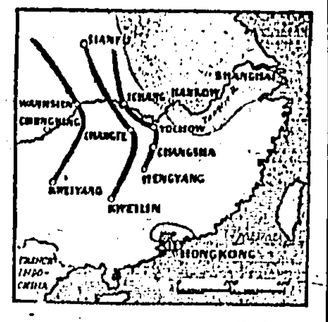
London, Apr. 4.

Closer co-operation between the British and French air forces was the subject of the conversations which the French Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre had to-day with Sir Kingsley Wood and a number of high officials of the British Air Ministry.

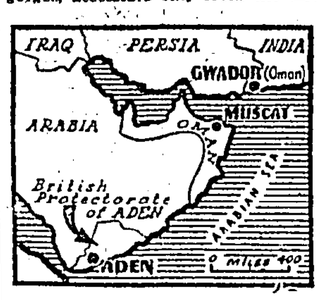
It is believed they discussed points of policy regarding the despatch of an expeditionary force to France in the event of war, as well as arrangements for an interchange

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MAPS TELL THE NEWS



DESIGN FOR WAR: With the help of Russian engineers Chiang Kai-shek has built three lines of fortifications to break the Japanese advance up the valley of the Yangtse. They make his wartime capital, Chungking, up beyond the Yangtse gorges, accessible only from the air.



GOOD NEIGHBOURS: India and Britain have signed a trade friendship and navigation treaty with Oman, key independent Sultanate in the Persian Gulf oil area. It succeeds a first treaty signed in 1891.

India sells rice to Oman, takes dates and pomegranates in return.

JAPANESE FORTIFY WOOSUNG

SHANGHAI, Apr. 4.

CHINESE REPORTS here state that the Japanese authorities are proceeding with plans for huge fortifications in the Woosung areas.

They say large quantities of materials have already been shipped to Woosung which will take at least three months to complete at a cost of more than 3,000,000 yuan.

Foreign observers here have linked this report with similar rumours during past months.

However, no signs of construction being in progress have been seen at Woosung by ship travellers.

It has also been pointed out that the fortifications could not be very powerful if only a few months were necessary for their construction.

Attention is also drawn to the low cost making first class fortification impossible.—*United Press.*

Franco And The Nazi Front

BERLIN, Apr. 4.—An official announcement of Spain's adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact is imminent, according to a statement by well-informed quarters to-day.

At the same time, the text of the treaty signed at Burgos between General Franco and the German and Italian Ambassadors will be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SPANISH DEMOBILISATION

BURGOS, Apr. 4.—An official bulletin was issued to-day, decreeing the demobilising and demilitarisation of the war ministries within 90 days.—*United Press.*

"THE ENGLISH KILLED OUR KING"

IRAQ MOURNERS ASSASSINATE BRITISH CONSUL

A SHOCKING aftermath to the news of King Ghazi's death occurred at Mosul, Iraq yesterday, when the British Consul, Mr. C. E. A. C. Monckmason, was assassinated by four men, following agitations by a crowd of mourners near the Consulate that the King of Iraq had been murdered by the British.

A "Reuter" message from Baghdad says that Mr. Monckmason died from bullet wounds. Revolvers were fired at him during a demonstration following news of King Ghazi's death.

Afterwards the British Consulate was set on fire.

Martial law was immediately proclaimed in Mosul, and order was restored a few hours later.

Agitators At Work

Official London quarters state that agitators worked up a crowd of mourners in the neighbourhood of the Consulate into a passion by declaring that King Ghazi had been murdered by the English.

Four men then allegedly fired revolver shots at the British Consul, killing him. They were later arrested and will be tried by a special court.

The Prime Minister of Iraq called on the British *Charge d'Affaires* in Baghdad during the afternoon and expressed the Iraq Government's regrets.

He added that the incident had been a terrible shock to himself.—*Reuter.*

STONED TO DEATH

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is now understood that Mr. Monckmason was stoned to death on the steps of the British Consulate at Mosul, while attempting to pacify the angry mob.—*Reuter.*

Succession Mystery

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is by no means certain, according to latest despatches from Iraq, that the four-year-old son of King Ghazi will succeed his father, who was killed to-day in a motoring accident.

The choice may fall on Emir Zeid, the youngest son of King Hussein, and the uncle of King Ghazi.

Emir Zeid, who is said to be pro-British in his political outlook, was at one time Iraq Minister to Berlin. His son was recently named as the most likely candidate for the throne of Syria in the event of the realisation of British and French plans in this direction.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Four-year-old Son To Reign

Baghdad, Apr. 4.

The successor to the late King Ghazi, who was killed in an automobile accident to-day, was proclaimed to-night to be Crown Prince Feisal, four-year-old son of the King, who was born on May 2, 1935.

The new king will reign under the name of Feisal.

Prince Abdul Ilah has been appointed Regent.

The Iraq Council of Ministers decided to place the exercise of sovereignty rights in the hands of the National Assembly until the final regulation of the terms of the Regency is known.

The Council of Ministers have also ordered 40 days of national mourning.—*Trans-Ocean.*

NEW CLASH ON BORDER

Frontier Patrols Exchange Fire

TOKYO, Apr. 4.

JAPANESE REPORT that fresh clashes have taken place on the Manchukuo - Soviet border.

Twenty-three Soviet soldiers are stated to have entered Manchukuo and fired on frontier patrols, who returned the fire.

Later Soviet troops were reported to be reinforced by about 40 soldiers with two machine guns.

After three hours of fighting the Russians were stated to have retired.

The next day the Soviet attack was reported to have resumed on a larger scale, and both sides are now said to be facing each other, and the atmosphere is described as extremely tense.

Manchukuo guards are said to have suffered casualties.—*Reuter.*

Hudson Back In London

Hints At Successful Tour Of Europe

LONDON, Apr. 4.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, head of the overseas department of the British Board of Trade, returned by air to London to-day from his visits to Warsaw, Moscow, Stockholm and Helsingfors.

He hurried back as soon as his business in Stockholm was concluded, in order to meet Colonel Beck before the Foreign Minister's departure from London.

In an interview with press representatives at Croydon, Mr. Hudson said that during his long journey he had conducted no political negotiations. However, it was a matter of course that in meeting leading men of the countries, he had discussed the international political situation.

Mr. Hudson said that everywhere he found keen interest in Britain's re-armament efforts, and he also referred to the industrial delegations from Finland and Sweden which would shortly be visiting England.

In this connection he was convinced the present moment was particularly appropriate for Britain to try and improve her trade relations with the Scandinavian countries.

He intimated that during the next 24 hours, details as to the success or failure of his mission would be made known to the public.—*Trans-Ocean.*

JACK BENNY SENTENCED

NEW YORK, Apr. 4.—Shamefaced and flushed, Jack Benny the radio and screen star, pleaded guilty in the Federal Court to the charge of jewel smuggling.

He received a suspended sentence of a year and a day, together with a fine of $10,000.—*United Press.*

EVERYTHING STOPS FOR TEA

If ever a revolution broke out in England, it would certainly be interrupted for the tea hour, thinks Lieut.-Colonel George Vanier, new Canadian Minister to France.

He told the Canadian Club in London:—

"I have seen in Trafalgar-square meetings of protest and denunciation of all kinds. I have heard vociferous speakers at three o'clock—and seen them lose their audiences at the tea hour.

"I cannot imagine a revolution here, but if one ever did take place, I am sure any explosive used would be tea-and-tea."

INTERNATIONAL PEACE FRONT TO BE SET UP

LONDON, Apr. 4.

BRITAIN IS CONSIDERING a plan for strengthening the peace front by a system of strategic military consultations with other nations.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, revealed in the House of Commons to-day that the British General Staff is entering into consultations with France, Poland and other countries entering the anti-aggression bloc with the effect of creating an "international military Board of Strategy."

Mr. Hore-Belisha told Brigadier General Edward L. Spears that the Government was calling on 16,000 reservists to receive training in new weapons and tactical formations, to enable them "to meet immediate requirements in the event of emergency."

POLISH OFFER

The London developments included Britain's acceptance of the Polish Foreign Minister's offer to turn the British pledge of aid to Poland into a two-way pact designed to strengthen the anti-aggression front.

Secondly, Britain is scheduled to join in talks with Rumania in accordance with King Carol's fresh instructions regarding Britain's offer of a pledge to aid Rumania.

Thirdly, the President of the Board of Trade has announced that a British Trade Mission will proceed to Rumania within a fortnight in an effort to offset the prospect of German economic and political domination.

Fourthly, the British Secretary for War has announced that Britain is creating a new mechanised fighting corps, presumably for use on the Continent in the event of war.—*United Press.*

U.S. TO DOUBLE ARMY AIR FLEET

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

LAUNCHING the Air Corps programme to-day, the Army Department has set an immediate objective for the delivery of the Army planes within two years.

The President yesterday signed the National Defence Bill expanding the Army Air Corps to 6,000 planes.

The Army Department said that the fastest of the new types ordered would be capable of 400 miles per hour.

The War Department's Mr. Louis Johnson has announced that contracts will be awarded for 550 combat planes immediately after the President's signature to the War Department Appropriation Bill.—*United Press.*

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U.S. Neutrality

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has announced that Mr. Henry Stimson will be the first witness called to the Committee's hearings on Wednesday when proposals for the amendment of the American Neutrality Law will be heard.

Mr. Bernard Baruch, the political economist and financier, will be called as witness on Thursday.—*United Press.*

Committee Appointed

Washington, Apr. 4.

The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee has appointed a sub-committee of seven to consider a possible amendment to the Neutrality Act.

The sub-committee will begin re-hearings, and Mr. Sumner Welles, the assistant Secretary of State, is expected to be the first witness.—*Reuter.*

Lebrun May Be Re-elected

Paris, Apr. 4.

President Leburn, who has been persuaded to put his name forward again for the Presidency at the election on Wednesday, is likely to have only one opponent, since the former President of the Chamber, Mr. Bouisson, has withdrawn, leaving only Senator Justin Godard.

It is possible that Senator Godard will also make a last-minute withdrawal.—*Trans-Ocean.*

PACIFIC DEFENCES

Canadians Seek Alliances

Ottawa, Apr. 4.

THE CONSERVATIVE Member of Parliament for Vancouver, Mr. Howard Green, has advised the Canadian Government to seek immediately defence alliances between Great Britain and the United States for British possessions in the Pacific.

He described the present policy of making no military commitments as a "delusion-and-a-snare."

He said Canada should have participated in the recent Pacific Defence Conference with New Zealand because she is partly dependent upon the Singapore base and the fleets of her sister dominions for protection in the Pacific.—*United Press.*

Another Protest To Japanese

PEIPING, Apr. 4.—For the fourth time in a fortnight, the American Embassy here has protested to the Japanese authorities against the bombing of American property in China by Japanese warplanes.

The protest referred to the bombing of the American Catholic Mission at Loting on February 25, when the building was badly damaged, and Father Kennelly was wounded.—*Reuter.*

HINES ON BAIL

New York, Apr. 4.

James Hines, convicted on charges of political graft, has been allowed out on bail of $35,000 pending his appeal against the verdict.—*Reuter.*

RADICAL CHANGES IN ARMY DESIGNATIONS

LONDON, Apr. 4.

MR. LESLIE HORE-BELISHA announced in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the fact that all regiments of cavalry of the line were being re-equipped with armoured vehicles, with the exception of the Royal Dragoons, the Royal Scots, and the Greys, it had been decided to associate the 18 mechanised regular cavalry regiments and the regular and territorial units of the Royal Tank Corps in a new Corps.

The new Corps will be known as the Royal Armoured Corps, and will take precedence immediately before the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Cavalry regiments would retain their existing designation, and the Royal Tank Corps would be re-designated the Royal Tank Regiment.

All units would retain their badges and uniforms.

Foreign Legion?

Mr. Hore-Belisha also informed the House that applications to join the British army from foreign nationals would, in suitable cases, be considered, more particularly if the applicants had had previous military training, and could speak English.

Asked whether Viscount Gort would pay a visit to Warsaw and Moscow, Mr. Hore-Belisha said he had no statement to make at the present on any further visits to foreign countries.

Asked whether it was not desirable that conversations should not take place with new allies as they came into line, Mr. Hore-Belisha replied: "Yes, everything is under consideration."—*Reuter.*

LATEST

NAVY MANS A.A. GUNS

A sensational report is issued by "Trans-Ocean" to the effect that when the naval propaganda film was shown on board the aircraft-carrier Royal Oak yesterday evening, a large number of seats reserved for officers were vacant because they had received dramatic orders at the last moment to stand by their anti-aircraft guns "prepared for anything that might happen".

The report states that guests aboard the Royal Oak for the film performance were startled by an announcement made by Lord Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, that a number of guests could not attend because shortly before he had left the Admiralty, it had become necessary to issue an order for all anti-aircraft guns in the navy to be manned and "prepared for anything which might happen."

Lord Stanhope further declared that the navy always takes precautionary measures, and was always prepared.

At the time Lord Stanhope made this announcement, many seats which had been reserved for naval officers at the 5:7m performance were empty.

The officers were at the time manning their anti-aircraft stations.

Although the statement created a sensation among the audience, the performance continued according to schedule.

Later the Press Association informed all its clients that in "national interests," Lord Stanhope's statement should, in no circumstances, be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

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When Goering Goes Slimming

HOTEL TURNS OUT 27 JEWISH GUESTS

SAN REMO (Italy).

TWENTY-SEVEN Italian Jews staying at the Royal Hotel, San Remo, were asked to leave before the arrival on holiday of Field-Marshal Goering, his wife and a party of fifteen officers and secretaries.

Several of the Jews had been clients of the hotel for many years. They were told: "Please leave. It will avoid embarrassment to the visiting Minister and to yourselves."

Field-Marshal Goering is taking a slimming cure, so that, although he brought five limousines with him from Germany, he spends most of his time walking either along the sea front or in the hills.

Detectives are never far away. They followed him as he walked along the promenade with his actress wife. He wore a dark grey, double-breasted suit, and already looks thinner than recent photographs showed him to be.

Twice he has visited the gambling casino, but even there no one is allowed near him.

One of the staff said: "He will see no one. Any one who disturbs him will get into trouble."

Though Goering is "strictly on holiday." It is understood that Marshal Badoglio, Mussolini's chief-of-staff, will be in San Remo to see him. Count Ciano, Mussolini's son-in-law, is also expected.

The resort is a mass of colour in honour of the visit. Nazi and Fascist flags and emblems fly from every window.

Nine Persons Live In English Village

London.

WHAT is believed to be the smallest village in England is Elton, in Hampshire, which has a population of nine and whose oldest inhabitant is thirty-three. There are three houses. The nearest post box is four miles away. Only one wedding and one christening have ever taken place in the tiny church. Once a week a policeman cycles through the village to see that all is well, and once a day the postman rides up—if there are any letters.

Frayed Cuffs Curbed

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A new chemically treated linen has been developed to prevent the raveling of shirt collars and cuffs. The insertion is sewed between the layers of the shirt material, and in a demonstration at the Leipzig Fair it was shown to keep the cloth from fraying.

Make-Up Valued At £50

THE value of make-up to a woman has been assessed by Deemster R. D. Farrant, Senior Judge of the Manx High Court, at £50.

Phyllis Winstanley, aged 24, told the Deemster that she was employed last summer by Messrs. G. N. Gore, Ltd., of Douglas, in the rolling of Isle of Man rock.

She alleged that the flour off the table gave her dermatitis and she cannot now use make-up.

Medical witnesses said she would not be able to attend dances, as chalk used on the floor for polishing would affect her skin.

Messrs. Gore, without admitting liability, offered £50, and £10 10s. costs, in settlement.

The Deemster, who had reserved his decision, approved the settlement recently.

Music Wherever He Goes—In Stockings

PIPE-MAJOR LEWIS BEATON, President of the Scottish Piping Society of London, wears a pair of stockings into the turnover of which has been knitted a complete pipe tune.

He was wearing his stockings at the seventh Annual Piping Competition of the Scottish Piping Society at the London Scottish headquarters, Buckingham Gate, recently.

"They were knitted for me by Miss Kerr, of Lairg, Sutherland," Pipe-Major Beaton said at the competition.

"The tune is 'MacCrimmon's Sweetheart,' and it is all there, the groundwork of the tune and the first and second variations.

"I could play the tune from my stockings, if I had to," he said, "but I always play from memory."

Piping enthusiasts came to London on Saturday from all over the country to hear famous performers on the "piob-mhor"—the great pipe.

Secretary for Scotland, Colonel John Colville, a competent amateur piper, was an interested member of the audience.

THE KING'S PIPERS

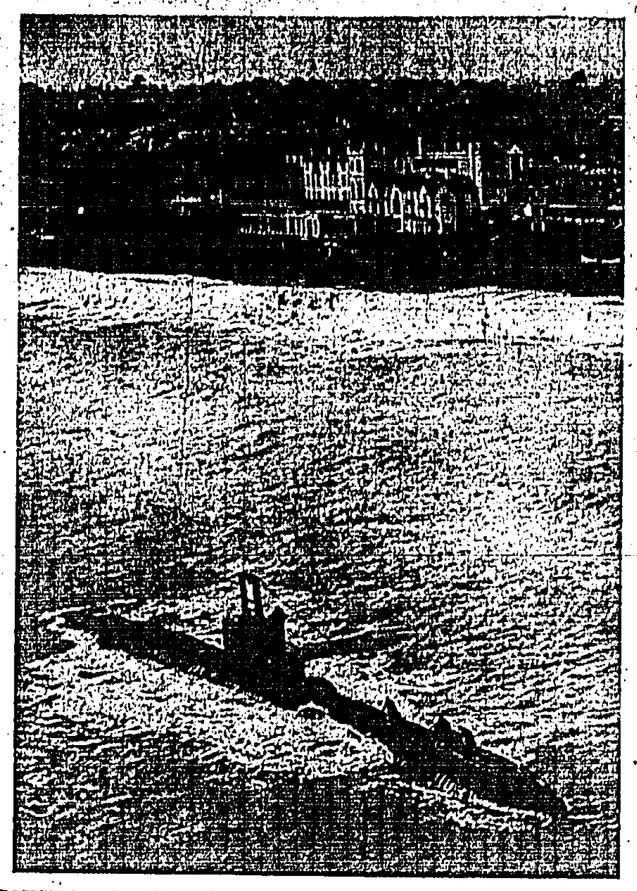
Mr. R. B. Nicol, the King's piper at Balmoral, won the Bratach Gorm, the replica of the blue banner of the MacCrimmons, and Mr. R. N. Brown, another Balmoral piper, the open competition for piobaireachd.

Real champion of the competition was Pipe-Major Robert Reid, of the Highland Light Infantry, who won the medal for the highest aggregate of points. He also won the silver star for open march, strathspey and reel.

Incongruous figures among the kilted competitors were the boy pipers of the Royal Air Force in trousers.

"We are getting our kilts at the end of the month," said an aircraftman.

"We hear they are to be Air Force blue."



CAUGHT IN A SOUTHERLY GALE, this submarine, the *Sunfish*, of the 5th Submarine Flotilla, ran aground in Sandown Bay, Isle of Wight, recently and heavy seas beat over her before she was finally re-floated just before midnight.

Some Shop-Girls Worse Off Than Zoo Animals

I am pretty healthy and used to the hot air in the House of Commons, but if I go into a bargain basement I can stay only a few minutes, because I feel I would faint.

IN such Parliamentary language a woman M.P. pictured in the House recently the conditions in which some shop assistants have to work.

She was Mrs. Hardie, the Labour member for Springburn (Glasgow), and, having worked 12 hours a day for six days a week as a shop assistant, she should know.

Drapers' shops are much too hot and grocers' too cold, according to Mrs. Hardie, who was speaking on the second reading of the Shop Hours Bill to limit hours to 48 a week and overtime to 50 hours a year.

The Bill was rejected by 135 votes to 114.

Moving the second reading Mr. Leslie (Lab., Sedgefield) said no other occupation consumed the young life of the nation to such an extent.

HAIRDRESSERS' TRIALS

An eminent doctor had said that women shop assistants suffered from varicose veins, flat feet, and all the disabling things which made life a misery. Some worked 64 and 66 hours a week.

Mr. Jagger (Lab., Clayton), seconding, said the Bill would compel the worst employers to do what the best ones were doing by common consent or trade union agreements.

Conditions in the hairdressing trade were protested against by Dr. Edith Summerskill (Lab., Fulham, W.), who said hairdressers were compelled to work sometimes for nearly 60 hours a week in ill-ventilated cubicles but were expected to discuss pleasantly the events of the day.

A BAD SHOPPER—AND WHY

"I am known as a bad shopper," she added, "because invariably I take what is given me rather than keep the suffering shop assistant. When I pay at the cash desk and see the assistants cooped up I reflected that if the Zoo had animals cooped up under such conditions for 60 hours a week we would have an action brought by the R.S.P.C.A."

The Bill was opposed from the Tory benches mainly on the ground that nothing should be done to prejudice the discussions going on between employers and employed.

The same line was taken by Mr. Lennox-Boyd (Parliamentary Secretary, Minister of Labour) who said the Government would give speedy and sympathetic consideration to a striking report which had been received from the joint conference dealing with wages, hours and conditions in the retail distributive trades.

The Bill would cut across the negotiations and report and destroy the harmony so carefully and successfully built up.

EMPIRE NEWS

IMPORT CONTROL IN NEW ZEALAND

Auckland.

Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, defended the Government's import control policy in a speech to a special conference of importers at Wellington.

Under the Government's control policy Mr. Nash said the maximum preference was given to Britain. The Government was doing everything possible to reduce difficulties to British manufacturers and others arising from the control plan.

There would be curtailment of unessential imports, Dominion manufacturers having the maximum facilities for the importation of commodities essential for their production.

The import selection would provide facilities for primary production, capital, equipment and raw materials for manufacturing goods to replace imports.

MALAYA

K.C.M.G. FOR SULTAN OF SELANGOR

Kuala Lumpur.

The High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, invested Sultan Alam Shah, of Selangor, with the insignia of the K.C.M.G. after a State banquet attended by representatives of every Malay Royal house in the Peninsula, as well as representatives of Sumatra and Borneo.

Selangor's Royal town of Klang was filled with visitors from all parts of the State during the Coronation.

The ceremony comprises lustration on a pavilion outside the palace, according to Moslem rites, then the coronation both of the Sultan and Sultana with crown and tiara.

HISTORIC GROUND

SOUTHPORT, Me.

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(Do Not Cry.) (Sung in German.)
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Martha. Act. 3. "Ach so fromm" (Like A Dream.)
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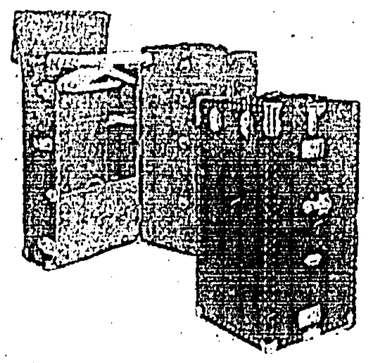
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HE RAN PIN ALONG A SILK STOCKING

So She Ordered 12 Pairs

AFTER seeing a salesman run a pin from top to bottom of a pair of silk stockings to show that they were ladder-proof, Mrs. Mary Vestarhis, wife of a Cardiff shipowner, ordered a dozen pairs. When they arrived she found they were not ladder-proof.

She cancelled the contract and took the matter to Cardiff County Court.

Judge L. C. Thomas, after hearing recently, decided in her favour, and ordered Premier Silk Products (London), Ltd., to pay the costs of the case.

Said counsel for Mrs. Vestarhis: "Although it would be cheaper to pay for the stockings Mr. and Mrs. Vestarhis are determined not to allow themselves to be victims of a swindle, and are anxious to bring this method of business to public notice."

Mrs. Vestarhis said her maid brought a message that a man at the front door wished to see her.

She added: "I had no idea he had come to sell things. I thought he was a private visitor. In the room he took the stockings from his pocket and told me they were ladder-proof. He ran a pin up and down them from top to toe. They did not ladder. I gave an order for a dozen of style 22 and paid a deposit. I did not notice the salesman wrote in his book 10 instead of 22."

Dancer Beauty Murder

BEAUTIFUL Ayva Sosoyeva, a Russian dancer aged 27, who hoped to "break into" pictures and was well-known in Hollywood, died recently a few hours after she had been criminally assaulted on the College Campus of Los Angeles City.

Ayva was returning from a dramatic school where she was a student, when she staggered into the apartment of a friend named Wally Myers bleeding and distraught.

She murmured, "Someone hit me on the head."

Myers tried to ask her questions, but she collapsed at his feet and lapsed into unconsciousness.

SKULL FRACTURED

It was discovered that her skull was fractured and her clothes half torn from her.

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Lawlessness In Shanghai

LONDON,

SEVERAL questions were asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the lawless conditions prevailing in the Japanese-controlled areas round Shanghai:—

Captain Alan Graham asked the Prime Minister whether he will make strong representations to the Japanese Government on the lawless conditions prevailing and the number of bad characters at large in the Japanese-controlled areas surrounding the International Settlement of Shanghai and of the consequent danger to British subjects in these areas?

Sir John Haslam asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that increasing numbers of gambling dens are springing up in the Japanese-controlled area immediately surrounding the foreign settlements of Shanghai; that many of these dens are run under the guidance and protection of the Japanese army special service section; that all law and order in their neighbourhood is gravely prejudiced; and whether he will make immediate representations to the Japanese Government for the suppression of these gambling dens and the restoration of law and order?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend is aware of the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in the western area at Shanghai, and the matter has been brought to the attention of the local Japanese authorities and to that of the Japanese Government.

Sir J. Wardlaw-Milne asked the Prime Minister whether his attention has been called to the demands now being made by the Japanese Government upon the Municipal Council of Shanghai; whether he is aware that some roads running out of the Settlement, although made on land bought by the council, are actually patrolled by the Chinese administration set up by the Japanese authorities; that further areas, in which outrages are said to have occurred, are entirely under the control of that Government and outside the area in which the council exercise authority; whether he has information to show that the incidents referred to by the Japanese Government took place in areas which are under the direct control of the council; and whether the Government will support the municipal council in resisting any alteration of their constitution?

Mr. Butler: Yes, Sir. My noble Friend understands that the Japanese authorities have put forward certain suggestions to the Shanghai Municipal Council for the more effective maintenance of law and order at Shanghai, and these suggestions are now under consideration by the council. His Majesty's Government are continuing to watch the situation closely and are at all times prepared to afford to the council such advice and support as may from time to time be possible. The extra Settlement roads inside the defence perimeter are policed by the Shanghai Municipal Council. Certain of these roads, however, surround enclaves which are under the control of the local Chinese municipal administration, and it was in one of these areas that a high official of the Nanking Reform Government was assassinated on 19th February. One other recent outrage took place within the International Settlement itself.

Sir J. Wardlaw-Milne: Is my right hon. Friend aware that most of the incidents have taken place outside the boundaries of the area of the municipal authority in Shanghai; and will he pay particular attention to the last part of my question as to assisting the council to resist any increase in Japanese membership—at least if sought to be brought about by threats?

Mr. Butler: I said in my answer that we are always prepared to afford the council such advice and support as may be possible.

Mr. Gallacher: Is it not the case that it is Japan which is destroying law and order in China at present?

Statue Upsets A Suburb

RESIDENTS of Downshire-hill, Hampstead, N.W., are upset by a statue of a nude female figure which has been erected outside the home of Mr. Roland Penrose, the Surrealist.

They call it "a deformity in stone," and say that it makes them nervous. It represents a "mother and child."

It is the work of Henry Moore, sculptor, who has been called the "second Epstein," and its name is "Abstract."

"SERENITY DISTURBED"

Mounted on a block of marble, it stands about 6ft. high and has as background a bright red door.

Some residents say they have spent 30 years of their lives peacefully in Downshire-hill — and now their serenity of mind has been disturbed.

"The statue spoils the whole tone of the neighbourhood," a neighbour said. "Comments of passers-by are amazing."

Mr. Moore isn't worried about all the things people are calling his statues. And Mr. Penrose isn't worried either—he's away in Egypt.



Her Majesty the Queen in conversation with one of the unemployed undergoing a twelve-week course of training at the Ministry of Labour's Gateshead centre. This picture was taken on the second day of the arduous Royal tour, which started with the launching of the New battleship, *King George V*, from the Walker naval yard.

German Economic Gains In Tanganyika

DURBAN, South Africa.—Germany is already "invading" Tanganyika, a special investigator of The Natal Daily News, who has been studying conditions in the big mandated section of East Africa, claims.

The investigator said his survey disclosed that selected German settlers are sent to Tanganyika aboard a German ship with financial backing from Berlin. On arrival they are lodged in a German-owned hotel and, under the guidance of an older German settler, are placed on the land.

When the new settler's crops come to fruition, he can sell at a higher price than can be obtained by any other settler on the world market. If the local price for coffee is $150 a ton, the German planter can get $250 a ton through the German subsidy system. This, in turn, enables him to pay a higher price for native labour on his estate, with consequent subtle propaganda effect.

THROUGH GERMAN HANDS

A feature of the position is that, except for use of the Kenya and Uganda or Tanganyika railways, the Germans are an entirely self-supporting community in that they import and export, buy and sell, entirely through German hands.

Close watch is kept on every individual member of the community to make sure that he deals entirely through German channels, with a disciplinary code for dealing with transgressors. By weight of numbers and organization, a boycott of all but German goods is effected.

"I found there was still a little surreptitious trading with British stores by Germans, for all Germans are not Nazis in Tanganyika, but in cases where this was done there was a great deal of secrecy, for the buyer was in no little fear that his 'crime' would be detected," said the correspondent.

The German economic penetration has become so efficient that it is not uncommon to find towns where even vital transport necessities, such as petrol, are controlled by German firms.

Not that there is anything aggressive in the German attitude, to which the British community has made no determined reply. The Germans are law-abiding and keep very much to themselves.

Germany's increasing trade with Tanganyika, it is revealed in a recent report, has been fostered by an advantageous system of barter, enabling Berlin to solve her foreign exchange difficulties, obtain a market for her manufactured goods and procure supplies of raw materials. Such trading has caused the British authorities some anxiety.

Thanks to barter and subsidy, the visible balance of trade with British East African territories for the period of 1932-37 was heavily in favour of Germany.

JAPANESE INTEREST

One complication in the destiny of Tanganyika, which is ostensibly a question between Germany and Britain, is Japan's trading interest.

This economic background to a seemingly political question is provided by the Congo Basin Treaties, under which Japan is securing a stranglehold on Central African trade.

"Britain and Germany may be rivals for the political control of Tanganyika, but both are common rivals of Japan in the trade field," says The Natal Daily News.

"There is a great deal to be said for the view that, if Tanganyika were removed from British political control, at least two of the bearings of the Berlin-Rome-Tokio axis would not function quite smoothly as they appear to do now."

FREEDOM OF TRADE

Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika all fall within the limits of the Congo Basin Area as defined by the Berlin Act of 1885 signed by the United States, Belgium, Britain, France, Italy, Japan and Portugal. Under this all signatory nations enjoy complete freedom of trade in the area.

"If the territory were given to Germany, any variation of the treaties would scarcely lead to the more harmonious working of the Far Eastern end of the 'axis,'" the newspaper concludes. "Under British mandate, as at present, Tanganyika is a 'Tom Tiddler's ground' for the world. It is that rare bird—a free market.

"Perhaps this fact will influence any discussion which may take place on the future of Tanganyika."

"Joint Naval Action"

By Democracies

New York.

JOINT naval action by the United States in the event of aggression by the "Fascist Powers" on Britain or France is advocated by Mr. Henry Stimson former Secretary of State, in a letter to the "New York Times" recently. In his letter Mr. Stimson writes:

We cannot ignore the fact that at almost any moment an armed attack may be aimed by a Fascist group of Powers against the vital safety of one of the two peace-loving nations upon which rests, in large part, the safety of our civilisation—Great Britain or France. Such an attack would almost inevitably involve both of those nations, and from present appearances would be co-operated in by all three of the Fascist Powers. In that event only one course could be depended on ultimately to save the present hard-earned civilisation upon which our own national wefare rests.

To-day the aggressive group is more powerful in the air and on the land than even France and Britain combined, and it is probably sufficiently strong at sea to pin down the British and French fleets in European waters, leaving exposed to the powerful Japanese fleet the whole Western Pacific Ocean, including the English-speaking Dominions of Australia and New Zealand and even Western Canada, as well as the naval base of Singapore, which is the key to the protection of those regions.

Defence against such joint action in Europe and Asia by the Fascist Powers can only securely be accomplished by the common action of the naval power of the three large democracies, including the United States. Should any one of these three nations attempt to remain isolated the result would bid fair to be an ultimate disaster to them all; on the other hand, the conviction on the part of the Fascist Powers that such common action was in contemplation would be most potent to prevent attack altogether.

The "New York Times" in a leading article approves the policy suggested by Mr. Stimson, and writes, "Such a policy for the United States does not require alliances abroad; it requires consultation with the other law-abiding nations on the tactics of self-defence."

HELP FOR DEMOCRACIES?

WASHINGTON.

A speech interpreted as favouring American assistance for the democracies against a coalition of totalitarian Powers has been made here by Mr. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State.

"If a group of nations," he said, "chooses to adopt a policy which compels America to take defensive measures we are fairly entitled to consider whether the defence of our institutions may not require assistance in one form or another to those nations which, like ourselves, desire to keep the peace."

The United States Senate has approved a proposal to increase the aircraft strength of the Army Air Corps to 6,000 'planes. The House of Representatives had previously approved a limit of 5,500 'planes. The vote was by 54 to 28.

Pie Peddler Pied In Court

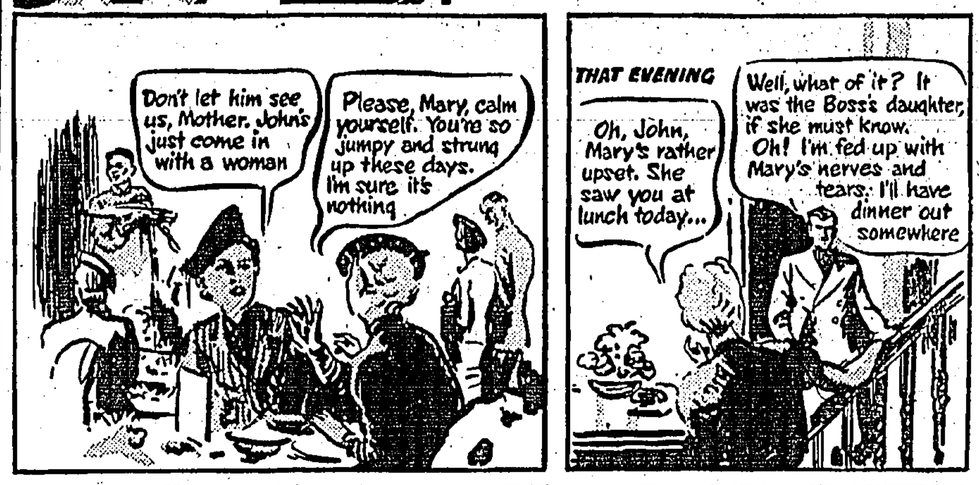
EL CENTRO, Cal.

A charge of driving a pie wagon pie-eyed constituted a complexity in the administration of traffic laws that Judge John E. Simpson decided that the pie peddler should have the benefit of a higher court for trial and he was bound over to the Superior court.



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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday says:

Buyers were more in evidence, and in several instances advanced their prices, but not sufficiently to attract many sellers, with the result that business was still on a restricted scale. The market closed with a firmer tone.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1,385
Canton Insurances $220
Union Insurances $465
H.K. Wharves $105
H.K. Docks $10¼
Providents $4¾
H.K. Hotels $3.25
H.K. Lands $33⅓
China Lights (Old) $6¼
China Lights (New) $5.35
Dairy Farms (Ex. Rts.) $21.60
Dairy Farms (Rights) $15½
Watsons' $7¾
Entertainments $6.40
Govt. 4% Loan 4% Prem.
Govt. 5½% Loan 1½ Prem.

Sellers

H.K. Wharves $100
Providents $5
H.K. Hotels $3.70
H.K. Trams $10½
Electrics $57
Watsons $8.05

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1,395
Union Insurances $460/467½
H.K. Lands $34
H.K. Trams $10.35
China Lights (Old) $6.30
Watsons $7¾
Govt. 4% Loan 4% Prem.
Antamoks Pn. .38
Atoks .34
Benguet Consol. 12.00
Coco Groves .38
Demonstrations .14½
I. X. L. .57
Rotons .27
North Camarines .57
San Mauricio 1.90
Suyoc Consol .17½
United Parcales .56

CHOIR RECITAL

A Passion Choral Service, to which members of other churches are welcome, will take place at the Hop Yat Church in Bonham Road on Good Friday, commencing at 8.15 p.m.

Dr. J. Stainer's 'Crucifixion' and other Passion music will be rendered by the church choir under the direction of Dr. Yung Chi-tung.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transactions of Public Business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 7th., 8th. and 10th. April, 1939.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. Y. TANG.
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

H.M. DOCKYARD, HONG KONG.

Examination for Local Clerks

Applicants are informed that those selected to attend the examination on 11th April will be notified separately.

No further applications can be considered.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C. The Old City Hall, Queen's Road C., Hongkong, or the Inspector, 49, Pokfulum Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre, Wanchai; or the Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

LONDON, Apr. 4.—The Yankee Clipper completed its South-Atlantic survey flight to-day when it arrived at Southampton this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: Technical indications of a rally are imminent. We favour Douglas Aircraft, International Harvester, Bethlehem Steel, New York Central, Montgomery Ward, U.S. Rubber and Eastman Kodak shares for a quick turn. Some traders think that the selling side of the market is becoming too bullish.

Many good first-quarter earnings' reports will be out shortly.

The Federal Court has set a precedent in labour history by assessing Union damages incurred in a sit-down strike.

EARNINGS: The earnings of the American Smelting and Refining Company for January and February are over the corresponding months of last year and an increased dividend is likely. The National City Bank's first-quarter earnings totalled $0.53, while the Bankers' Trust earned $0.61. Reynolds Tobacco Company's 1939 earnings are slightly above those for 1938.

WHEAT: It is reported that the Rumanian Government will reduce the wheat export subsidy by 5 cents per bushel. We think that the market looks oversold. Private experts forecast a Winter crop of 530,000,000 bushels.

COPPER: The American Smelting and Refining Company has reduced the domestic price by 1/2 cent to 10¾ cents per lb.

LONDON AVERAGES:

	APRIL 3	APRIL 4
Industrial Average	97.8	97.2
Rails Average	55.1	54.8

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **Tuesday**, the **11th** day of **April**, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent.	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 4132.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 2935 & 4044, Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	as per sale plan.				About 9,660	$110	$7,245

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2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4131.	Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road & Kwangsi St., Ma Tau Chung.	As per sale plan.				About 4,030	$46	$5,023

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4134.	Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3475, Bedford Rd. Tai Kok Tsui	As per sale plan.				About 7,200	$133	$14,400

G. R.

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
4	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4136.	Junction of Pak Tai St. & Ma Tau Kok Road, Ma Tau Kok.	as per sale plan.				About 8,430	$96	$6,523

OBITUARY

Ruler Of Iraq Killed In Motor Accident

Paris, Apr. 4.

According to a *Havas* report from Bagdad King Ghazi, aged 27, was killed in a motor accident about midnight.

The heir to the throne is the Emir Feisal, who was born in 1935.—*Reuter.*

King Ghazi of Irak was born in Mecca in 1912. He came of a ruling Arab family, the Sheresians, who had long held sway in the Holy Cities and other parts of Arabia. His father Feisal was for a time King of Syria, but in 1920 was dethroned by the French under their mandate for that country. Within a year Feisal was made King of Irak by the British. King Ghazi's education was on the traditional Arab lines, including periods of living with Bedouin in the desert and instruction in Moslem literature and religion. But he also had English tutors and governesses under the supervision of Gertrude Bell, the famous friend and adviser of the Arabs.

In 1923 his father sent him to Harrow School in England and he spent nearly three years there. He proved to be very much like the average boy, showing a partiality for the cinema, practical joking and all available confectionery. So far as study was concerned, he had a preference for mechanical rather than academic subjects. Long before he was old enough to hold a motor car licence he knew the construction of various types of cars and was an excellent driver. Being debarred from the roads owing to lack of a licence, he used to drive at Brooklands, being probably the youngest motorist who ever went round that famous track. On returning to Irak King Ghazi went through a course of training at the Bagdad Military School.

In September 1933, his father died suddenly when on a visit to Switzerland. King Ghazi was proclaimed King within a few hours of the news reaching Bagdad. Feisal, who had married a cousin in order to maintain the family tradition of keeping the ruling authority to the blood of the Sheresians, had urged his son to do the same. Obediently within a fortnight of his accession King Ghazi announced his engagement to his cousin Princess Aliyah, daughter of his uncle, ex-King Ali of the Hedjaz. The betrothal took place in accordance with custom in the absence of the princess, but was a legal ceremony equivalent to marriage. She and the King were not to meet, however, until some months later when she was to be proclaimed Queen. One of the earliest problems King Ghazi and his advisers had to face was a complaint from the Assyrian Christians that his troops had massacred a number of them. As a result they wanted to migrate. The matter was referred to the League of Nations.

King Was Driving

Paris, Apr. 4.

A report states that the King was driving his own car back to the palace when he hit an electric pylon while travelling at high speed. The King lost consciousness immediately and died 40 minutes after midnight from a fractured skull.

A bulletin announcing the death was signed by five doctors. The date of the funeral will be fixed this morning.—*Reuter.*

Arabs Mourn

Baghdad, Apr. 4.

The streets are crowded with processions of Arabs wailing and beating their breasts, at the loss of the Ghazi.

A *communique* gives the cause of death as severe fracture of the skull, causing extreme laceration of the brain.—*Reuter.*

New King Proclaimed

Baghdad, Apr. 4.

The three-year-old son of the late King Ghazi has been proclaimed King Feisul II.

Emir Abdullah, uncle of the new ruler, has been appointed Regent.—*Reuter.*

MR. FRANK TENNEY

London, Apr. 4.

The death has occurred of Frank Tenney, Professor of Latin at John Hopkins University since 1919, at the age of 63.

Born at Kansas, he received his education at the Kansas State University, University of Chicago, University of Berlin and in Rome.

He was Instructor at the University of Chicago from 1901 to 1904, Bryn Mawr College up to 1910 and in the American Classical College in Rome. Later he was Professor at various Universities, corresponding Fellow of the British Academy, Fellow of the American Society of Arts and Sciences, Member of the American Philosophical Society and Editor of the American Journal of Philology.

Among his many publications were several historical books dealing with Ancient Rome.—*Reuter.*

FAMOUS ENGINEER

Edinburgh, Apr. 4.

The death has taken place of Mr. Llewelyn Roberts, 58, chief engineer and Commodore of the Cunard-White Star Line and chief engineer of the liner Queen Mary on the first sailing.—*United Press.*

THE "TELEGRAPH"
will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

Britain Warns Mussolini

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of air force designs in order to facilitate manufacture in both countries.

One type concerned is reported to be the famous Merlin aircraft engine for the supermarine Spitfire fighter, and a certain type of French gun.

This evening, M. Lachambre visited the Handley-Page factory at Cricklewood.—*Reuter.*

Soviet Pessimistic

Moscow, Apr. 4.

The "Journal de Moscow," the French language weekly which often reflects the Soviet Foreign Office's views, published a pessimistic editorial on the European situation to-day.

It said partial measures such as Mr. Chamberlain's statement cannot foster peace.

The "Journal" urges general measures for collective security and declares that all small countries in Europe, Scandinavia and on the Baltic are menaced by aggression and are sceptical of the position of Poland.

It says Poland sought a common Hungarian front, in reality lengthening the border with Germany. Poland was aligned with the Axis during the September crisis and the Chamberlain declaration does not assure co-operation to Poland herself in collective security unless Poland's foreign policy is radically changed.—*United Press.*

"REUTER" REPORT ATTACKED

Rome, Apr. 4.

"Reports published abroad about the situation and relations between Italy and Albania are tendencious and unfounded" declares a Bari broadcast which is reported in the "Gazetta del Mezzogiorno," which says that at the expligit request of the King of Albania, conversations are progressing for the reinforcement of the defensive alliance between the two countries.

The announcement says that it is not the intention of the Italian Government to make an attempt against the independence and integrity of Albania.

The move is regarded here as a counter measure to the British soundings of Greece and Yugo-Slavia with regard to the projected anti-aggression front.

It is felt that Italy, by occupying Albania, might wish to impress on them the need of maintaining good relations with the Rome-Berlin axis and of leaving Italy secure in the Adriatic.

Italian occupation of Albania would, apparently, unfavourably impress Yugo-Slavia, where German occupation of the Czech provinces is said to have caused a wave of pan-Slav feeling, which turned many people's thoughts towards the British anti-aggression plan.—*Reuter.*

HITLER RETURNS

Berlin, Apr. 4.

Herr Hitler to-day returned to Berlin from his week-end spent at sea.

It is understood that he will be spending 12 hours in Berlin before proceeding to Berchtesgaden.—*Reuter.*

Slovak-Reich Talks

Pressburg, Apr. 4.

Dr. Tiso, the Slovak Prime Minister, and Dr. Durcansky, the Foreign Minister, left for Berlin to-day.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Assassination In Jerusalem

British Troops Search For Culprits

JERUSALEM, Apr. 4.

THE MILITARY authorities are searching the northern quarters in Jerusalem, in an attempt to locate the assailant of the British official of the Palestine Archaeological Museum, who was shot and wounded outside his house to-day.

All Arab traffic has been prohibited from entering or leaving the city.

Thirty-five suspects have been detained, and the curfew has been imposed in that quarter.—*Reuter.*

U.S. Cotton Offer Rejected

London, Apr. 4.

It is learned that the Lancashire Cotton Corporation has declined a huge offer of American cotton.

It is understood that the offer was in the region of 750,000 bales, to be spread over three years, and which is valued at over £6,000,000.

Representatives of the Corporation stated that the Corporation had been approached with the object of buying a substantial amount of cotton at advantageous terms, but the offer had been turned down in the best interests of the industry, as it would have demoralised the whole merchanting system of the country.—*Reuter.*

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNING

London, Apr. 4.

The Premier to-day announced that Parliament would adjourn on April 6, and would re-assemble on the 18th.

Provision would be made to call the House together earlier if circumstances required.—*Reuter.*

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 29th March.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**April 5.**
Shanghai and Swatow	Kaying	April 5.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kiangsu	April 5.
Japan	London Maru	April 5.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	April 5.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 29th March	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**April 5.**
Japan	Shirala	April 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Antenor	April 6.
Chunchow	Shantung	April 6.
Japan	Anyo Maru	April 7.
Haiphong	Canton	April 7.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Hushmi Maru	April 7.
Haiphong	Kwangtung	April 7.
Manila	Nagara Maru	April 7.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Wednesday		
Haiphong	Mingsang	Wed., April 5, 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Wed., Apr. 5, 2 p.m.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco Marques, (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	London Maru	Wed., Apr. 5, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Foochow	Haitan	Wed., April 5, 3 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tsinan	Wed., Apr. 5, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" —due San Francisco, 12th April.	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**Wed., Apr. 5.**
	K.P.O. Reg.	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 5, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 6, 7.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Muihock	Wed., April 5, 7 p.m.
Thursday		
Swatow	Kweiyang	Thurs., Apr. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 11th May.	Antenor	Thurs., April 6.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O. Parcels	April 6, 1 p.m.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Boissevain	Thurs., April 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., April 6.**
	K.P.O. Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 15th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., April 6.**
	K.P.O. Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 5.30 p.m.
	G.P.O. Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 7 p.m.
Swatow	Yatshing	Thurs., April 6, 7 p.m.
Friday		
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 20th April.	**Husimi Maru**	**Fri., April 7.**
	G.P.O. and K.P.O. Reg.	Apr. 7, 11 a.m.
	Ord.	Apr. 7, 11.30 a.m.

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MURDER TRIAL

Death Of Japanese Recalled In Court

The dramatic story of an attack by a Chinese, armed with a chopper on a Japanese who was having a meal in a Wanchai restaurant on January 28, was related by Mr. J Whyatt, Crown Counsel, before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy yesterday, when hearing of a charge of murder against Li Ping-chun, 22 was commenced.

The dead man was Hiyoshi Sagara, 35, a resident of Hongkong. The Crown alleged that the motive for the attack was a grievance borne by Li against all Japanese, whom he alleged were responsible for the murder of his family in the country.

Li was originally charged with wounding and causing grievous bodily harm to Sagara with intent to murder him, but the charge was altered when Sagara died.

Mr. Whyatt prosecuted, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin, and Mr. J. T. Price appeared for the defence.

Dr. P. F. S. Court said that Sagara was admitted to the Queen Mary Hospital about 2 a.m. on January 29, and placed under his care. There were cuts on Sagara's neck, head and the front of his face. They appeared to have been caused by some sharp instrument, such as the chopper produced in Court. Sagara was suffering from shock and had lost a great deal of blood. His condition was very serious.

Wounds Described

Describing the wounds, Dr. Court said Sagara had six cuts on the back of the head. One of the cuts was six inches in length and had almost severed the spine. There was a cut across the face just below the eyebrow. Other cuts were on the back of the head, and had gone through the scalp. The top of Sagara's right thumb was sliced off, and the tendons of the fingers on the same hand were cut. He also had wounds on his hand.

Danger of sepsis was always present in wounds of the kind Sagara had suffered, no matter how much attention had been given them, declared Dr. Court. On February 1, Sagara appeared to be well enough to have the wounds stitched. His condition began to improve until the second week in February when the wounds on the back of the head and neck showed signs of severe sepsis, which caused severe secondary haemorrhage. Later, the deceased showed signs of dysentery, but the disease responded to treatment.

At the end of February, deceased showed signs of a relapse, because the wounds on the back of the head were very septic. The skin around the wounds had to be sloughed. Deceased's general condition deteriorated, and he died on March 4. In witness' opinion, the cause of death was the direct result of the wounds.

The defendant, continued Dr. Court, was also placed under his care. He was kept under observation until February 2, when he was discharged from hospital.

Cross-examined by Mr. Price, Dr. Court said that when the deceased was admitted to hospital he showed signs of emotional outburst, but appeared to be sensible. The emotion might have been caused by fear or rage. The deceased was a stockily built man. From his appearance, he might have been a teacher of jujitsu. He was much bigger than the defendant physically, though witness would not say he was taller.

Death from Sepsis

The dysentery deceased suffered from was not caused by the wounds. When he died there were no symptoms of dysentery. Sepsis followed the wounds, and deceased died from poisoning resulting from sepsis of the wounds. If the wounds had been clean, he would probably have survived. Death from a clean wound would be either from shock or haemorrhage. A man who had haemorrhage would have his vitality reduced, and was more likely to have sepsis. It was possible that anaemic infection might have affected deceased's resistance before symptoms of dysentery appeared.

Re-examined by Mr. Whyatt, Dr. Court said that the chances of deceased dying from the wounds, if they had not been septic, were considerable.

Dr. P. R. T. Naidu, house surgeon of the Queen Mary Hospital, testified to carrying out a post-mortem on the body of deceased on March 4, and detailed the results of his examination. In his opinion, death was due to toxaemia following wounds, complicated by anaemic dysentery.

Mr. Prior: Can you say to what extent the toxaemia had been complicated by dysentery?

Dr. Naidu: It is not possible to say with certainty.

Can you say how severe the dysentery had been?—No.

A waitress, Chan Fong, then gave evidence. After telling how she had served the deceased, she said that she went on with other work and when she happened to turn around she saw the deceased chasing the defendant. Sagara appeared to be stretching out his hands to grab Li. When the deceased ran back to his cubicle the defendant chased after him, holding a chopper in his hand and striking at him. She saw Li striking Sagara on the head and neck, but she could not say how many blows were delivered as she was frightened and ran up to the cockloft. When she came down, neither Li nor Sagara were in the restaurant.

Had Wine with Meal

Cross-examined by Mr. Prior, witness said that she did not know Sagara, but had seen him on a previous occasion when he came to the restaurant. She did not know whether he was a Japanese. He was well-built. On the evening of January 28, he took wine with his meal. Witness served him with two cups of wine. She could not say if the wine was strong. She did not know whether the defendant served deceased at all.

Witness could not say whether the deceased had taken any wine before he entered the restaurant. She did not notice his face at the time, but after he had consumed the wine, she noticed his face was flushed. He did not appear to be angry, and spoke in an ordinary tone to her when he ordered his meal.

Asked if the deceased was drunk, witness said he was sometimes drunk because he had thrown towels back at her after she had handed them to him to wipe his hands.

When Mr. Prior was going to question the witness further regarding the deceased's drunkenness, Mr. Whyatt objected to the questioning, since Mr. Prior had mentioned no specified date as to when the alleged drunkenness had taken place. Counsel declared that the questions were very misleading.

Mr. Prior retorted that the questions were not misleading, but his Worship ruled that they misled the Court.

Defendant's Behaviour

His Worship (to witness): When you spoke of the defendant throwing towels back at you, were you referring to the night of January 28, or to some other night?—I was referring to a previous occasion.

Continuing his cross-examination, Mr. Prior asked: How many times has he thrown towels at you?—On two occasions, the two times I saw him.

When was the first occasion?—Sometime in the last decade of the second moon.

And the second occasion?—It was on the day he was attacked.

On the second occasion, did he throw the towel into your face or into your hands?—I cannot remember.

Was he laughing when he threw it back?—Yes.

Did you enjoy having the towel thrown at you?—One could not scold him.

Did you take it as a joke?—I did.

Defendant might have supplied the deceased with more wine, for all you know?—I don't know.

Did you see the defendant come down from the cockloft?—He came down and walked about on the ground floor after another foki had returned to the cockloft.

Did he serve anybody with anything?—I did not see what he did.

Did you see the Japanese get up and chase the defendant towards the end of the shop?—I saw the Japanese trying to grab him.

At that time, the defendant had his back towards the front of the shop?—He was going out of the shop.

You say that you saw the defendant strike the Japanese?—The only thing I saw was the deceased trying to grab the defendant, and after that he ran back to his cubicle.

You did not see how the deceased got from his cubicle to the front of the shop?—No.

Did you see the deceased trying to pick up the chopper?—I did not see.

Did you see him reach for the chopper?—No.

Asked whether the deceased was steady on his feet when he moved from the front of the shop back to the cubicle, witness said he had a fighting attitude and was trying to grab the defendant. They appeared to be fighting each other. She could not say if they appeared to be fighting before the defendant picked up the chopper. The deceased grabbed hold of defendant by the neck, and for some reason Li got hold of the chopper.

The case will be continued at 2.30 this afternoon.

MURDER CHARGE

Two Men Committed To Sessions Yesterday

Following police evidence at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen committed two men, Leung Chi, 31, and Tsoi Onchai, 25, to the Session on a charge of murder.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, prosecuted with the assistance of Detective Inspector A. E. Carey.

The defendants were alleged to have murdered Wong King-cheung at Yaumati on March 4 by cutting him with choppers. They reserved their defence, Leung signifying his intention of calling his sister as a witness.

PITTSBURGH LIBRARIES

PITTSBURGH.

For the first time since their founding in 1895, Pittsburgh's Carnegie libraries have more than a million books on hand. The number was set officially at 1,018,000 in the annual report of Ruth D. McCollough, catalogue department head.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1889.

Miss Amy Sherwin's Company gave another most successful performance of "The Daughter of the Regiment" at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, last night to a large audience. To-morrow night "Faust" is announced, when a number of popular local amateurs will appear.

25 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1914

Both morally and materially the German sailor is far better off than the German soldier. Morally, because of the comradely, free, unmilitary tone which exists in the Fleet, and which makes cases of ill-treatment—not to mention "Zabern affairs"—practically unknown. Materially because—making allowance for the fact that they are conscripts—the men are well paid, well clothed, and well pensioned.

10 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1929.

Lo Bon-cheung, a school-boy, was charged with causing damage to plants at the Botanical Gardens.

It was stated that, for some considerable time past, persons frequenting the Gardens had been in the habit of scratching inscriptions and other writings, of an undesirable character, on the plants, the broad leaves of the cencia being specially favoured for the purpose.

Leaves of the plant damaged by the defendant were exhibited in Court by Mr. H. Green, Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, in substantiation of the charge. One of these bore the inscription, "I have come to meet some girls," while another had "I love her very much" scratched in bold Roman capital letters with what was obviously a penknife. Another leaf bore, in Chinese characters, the name of a well-known Chinese girls' school.

5 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1934.

Jiro Satoh, captain of Japan's Davis Cup Team, disappeared from the ship last night and it is believed that he jumped overboard—committing suicide.

The tragedy which has terribly shocked his team-mates, is attributed to ill-health and depression. He has not been well since leaving Hongkong and appeared to be on the verge of nervous breakdown.

Satoh recognised the seriousness of his condition and when the Hakone Maru arrived in Singapore, he expressed a desire to return to Japan. He was, however, persuaded to continue in the belief that the sea-voyage would quickly restore him to normal health.

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A pronouncement in the Catholic newspaper, *Osservatore Romano*, shows that relations between the Vatican and Germany are as strained as ever they were. The pronouncement denies the Vatican ever agreed to the dissolution, at Nazi dictation, of the Catholic Centre Party in Germany. Addressing three hundred German Catholic youths to-day, His Holiness the Pope alluded to the sufferings of many Catholic youths, which recalled the faith of martyrs. His Holiness promised to do his utmost to defend them against persecution.

ADVICE TO AN EASTER BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM

(Continued from Page 6.)

But if you and your partner each bring sincerity and patience to your love, and enrich it with laughter and good humour, perspicacity and imagination, you will be resolute to turn your back on any intruder into your home.

THREE years ago I was compelled to spend some weeks in a ward of St. Thomas's Hospital. On visiting days I was impressed and moved by the middle-aged, hard-working, sometimes poorly educated men who came with their dearly-bought gifts of flowers, fruit, or eggs to see their wives.

They tip-toed into the ward with a light shining in their eyes because they were to spend an hour with a sick, elderly woman, whose face was pale and lined with pain. When they left there were sometimes tears on their cheeks that they had to leave their wife behind for yet another few days. But at the door they always turned for a last wave of the hand and a smile of courage to be remembered until next time.

"For better, for worse." Just then it was "for worse," but it wouldn't be their fault if it wasn't soon "for better."

IN the next few days, while we are celebrating the triumph of Christ's love for mankind in His glorious Resurrection, the hundreds of men and women who bring their love before Him and swear their life-long allegiance to one another will, having made their vows, receive this blessing:—

"God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with His favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come, ye may have life everlasting."

That is a grand start. If they will strive to live in love and peace together they will not only inherit God's blessing but will give their children a home in which their hearts and minds can develop in confidence, in happiness, and in peace.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Tino Rossi (Tenor) and Dajos Bela and His Dance Orchestra.

Night Of Love Divine—Tango; Do You Like Dancing?—Tango....Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra; Aux Iles D'Amour (from film 'Lumieres de Paris')....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cuckoo Waltz (Jonasson); Brigitte—Waltz....Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra; Catarli Catarli (film 'Naples au baiser de feu'); Ecoutez Les Mandolines (film 'Naples au baiser de feu')....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra; Veni Pebeta (Joves); Du Schwarzer Zigeuner (Voeck)....Dajos Bela and His Dance Orchestra.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Turner Layton (Vocal) at the Piano.

If I Should Lose You (film 'Rose of the Rancho'); Up The Wooden Hill To Bedfordshire (Grey and Connelly); Moon Over Miami (Leslie and Burke).

1.13 Hawaiian Selections.

Waltzing To The Guitar—Medley Len Fillis (Hawaiian Guitar) with Scott Wood at the Piano; Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl—Waltz; Underneath The Blue Hawaiian Skies—Waltz....The Hawaiian Marimba Players; Sundown In Old Waikiki (Carlton and Ritz); All My Life (film 'Laughing Irish Eyes')....George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet with Vocal Chorus; Goodnight Vienna (from the film)....Hawaiian Guitar Solo by Len Fillis with Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Mozart—Symphony In D. No. 35.

Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Halle Orchestra.

2.0 Mozart—Sonata In B Flat Major, K.570.

Walter Gieseking at the Piano.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Cesar-Franck—Symphony In D Minor.

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

6.40 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.42 Violin solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

"Tzar's Bride"—Song Of The Bride (Rimsky-Korsakov, arr. Franko); Campanella, Op. 7 Bis. (Paganini) with Piano accomp. by Hubert Giesen; Moto Perpetuo, Op. 11 (Paganini); La Ronde Des Lutins, Op. 25 (Bazzini)....with Piano accomp. by Marcel Gazelle.

7.0 Walter Glynne (Tenor) and Grace Moore (Soprano) in a Light Orchestral Concert.

The Nuremberg Doll—Overture (Adam)....Grand Symphony Orchestra; The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley-Elliott); I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray)....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Piano; June—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Tschaikowsky, arr. Lange); Tannhauser—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Wagner, arr. Lange)....Debroy Somers Band; What Shall Remain? (film 'The King steps out'); The End Begins (film 'The King steps out') Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra. The Knave Of Diamonds (Steele); Love In Idleness—Serenata (Macbeth)....Alfredo Campoli and His Salon Orchestra; I Wait For You (film 'Evensong')....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Stars In My Eyes (film 'The King steps out'); Learn How To Lose (film 'The King steps out')....Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

7.42 B.B.C. Recording—"The Coronation of King George VI".

A talk by The Hon. Harold Nicolson, C.M.G., M.P.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Hide And Seek"—Selection (Vivian Ellis); Rag Doll (Nacio Herb Brown); Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel); "Going Greek"—Selection; "The Millionaire Kid"—Selection (Mayerl).

8.30 London Relay—'At The Black Dog.'

9.0 London Relay—'Empire Exchange'.

By The Lord Halley, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—A Recital by Marjorie Ffrangcon-Davies (Soprano).

Spring is at the Door; Passing Dreams (Roger Quilter); I Heard a Piper Piping; The Fiddler (Peterkin); Let Beauty Awake (Vaughan Williams); The Wind in the Wold (C. A. Lidgey).

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Billy Thorburn and His Music.

Night Over Shanghai—Fox-Trot (film 'The Singing Marine'); Two Shadows—In The Moonlight—Fox-Trot; Moon At Sea—Fox-Trot.

10.0 London Relay—The Fol-De-Rols'.

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11.0 Close down.

Shanghai

No Elections For Council This Year

Shanghai, Apr. 4.

There will be no election for the Shanghai Municipal Council for the next municipal year starting from April 20 as only nine nominations have been received for nine seats.

The Council will consist of two Americans, five Britons, and two Japanese. Mr. C. S. Franklin, Mr. A. C. Cornish (Americans), Mr. G. A. Haley, Mr. W. J. Keswick, Mr. R. G. MacDonald, Mr. G. E. Mitchell, Mr. T. S. Powell (British), Mr. O. Okamoto and Mr. T. Sugisaka (Japanese).—*Reuter.*

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ANSWER: Sir Stamford Raffles, founder of the Zoological Society, the man who obtained Singapore for the British Empire. It is 120 years since the foundation of the port which is now one of the Empire's greatest naval bases.

Question.—How did Singapore become British?

Answer.—Sir Stamford Raffles, an employee of the East India Company, landed there, established a bogus sultan and signed a treaty with him ceding the island to Britain. His idea was to use it as a base for a trade war against the Dutch. But the British Government refused to recognise the new acquisition for five years.

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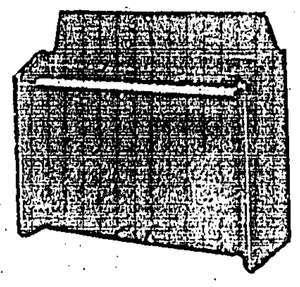
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U.S. Re-armament

EVER SINCE the Munich Agreement unsettled American isolationism, a struggle has been going on in Washington over defence plans for the United States. On one side were the military men who wanted careful, steady equipment for technical efficiency in defence. On the other were those who, led by President Roosevelt, thought in political and diplomatic terms. The Army recommendations, which were finally adopted yesterday, disclosed that the former had won.

A defence programme calling for a total expenditure of £550,000,000 does not measure up to the colossal £1,500,000,000 arms budget which Britain has undertaken this year: nevertheless, it is something for the American people to think about.

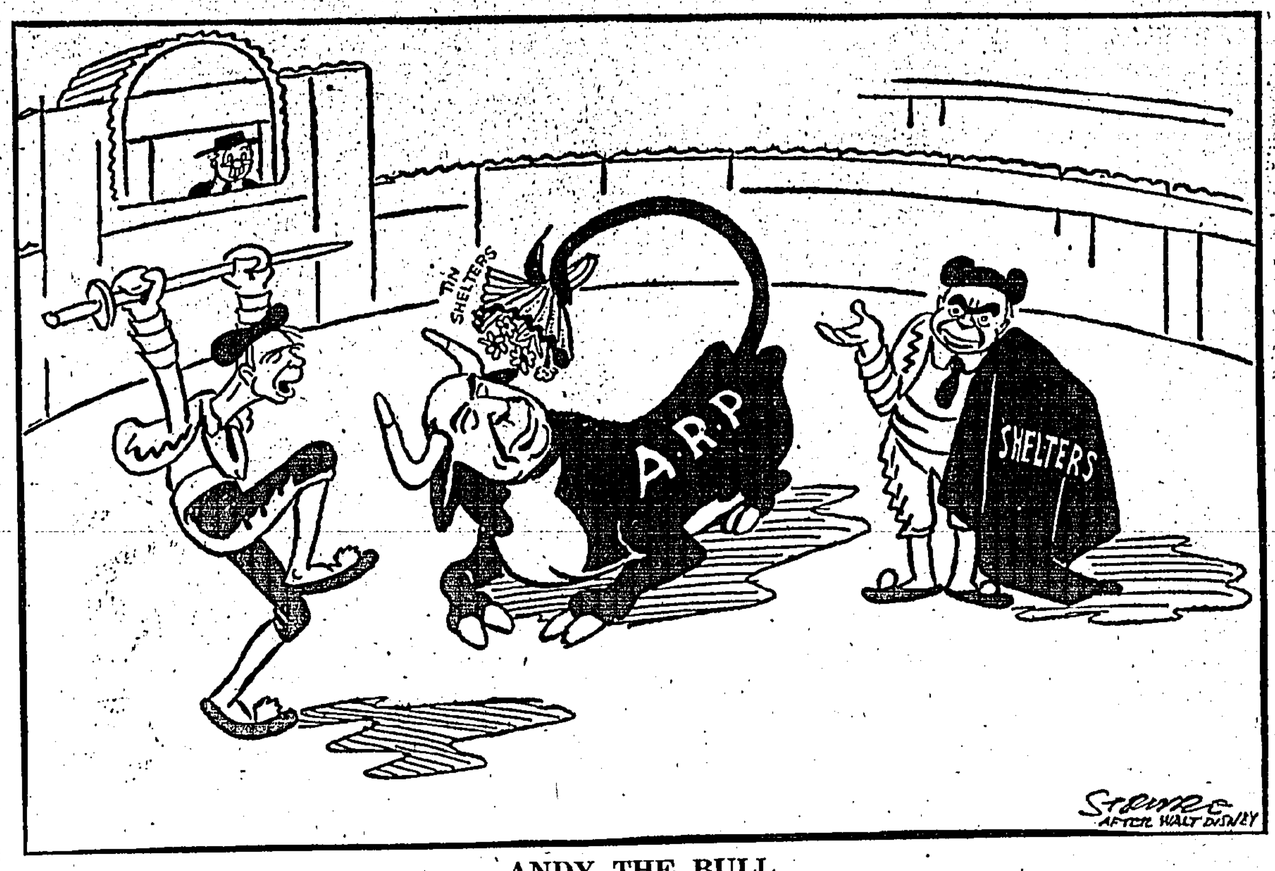
The most controversial part of the programme was the appropriation of only £80,000,000 for new aeroplanes, which was signed by the President yesterday after being passed by both Houses of Congress. It will more than double the U.S. Army's existing air force, but will add only 3,000 of the 10,000 planes which, it had been widely rumoured, America intended to build.

It was President Roosevelt who wanted more and more planes and not the Army generals. And the Army generals had their way. Army experts told Congress that the 3,000 planes required in the Defence appropriation would be sufficient to repel any attacks on the United States. The President, who throughout has taken the broader view of international requirements, protested that greatly increased speed and range of air attacks made the Army estimate obsolete before it was passed.

America may yet find, in restricting its aerial production, that the ignoring of diplomatic and political considerations will leave her unprepared, as she was unprepared in 1917.

If there is another war in Europe or more defiance of American protests by Japan opinion may jump beyond the generals as quickly as it jumped beyond the isolationists after Munich. Those who hope that America can keep out of war by neutrality acts are far fewer than a year ago. And if the American people decide that a great American air force will restrain aggressive diplomacy and will lessen the chances of war, as Great Britain believes, President Roosevelt will find much greater support for such arming than at present.

In terms of a decade ago, the construction of 3,000 new warplanes is a gigantic undertaking. But it is as nothing compared with the superhuman efforts now being exercised by certain European nations.



ANDY THE BULL

ANDY WAS NOT LIKE OTHER BULLS, HOWEVER MUCH THE MATADOR TRIED TO GOAD HIM, ANDY JUST SAT QUIETLY AND SMELLED THE FLOWERS.

After the Disney film "Ferdinand the Bull."

Advice to an Easter bride and bridegroom

HILDA COE is a spinster—but here she tells what she would strive for if she were among the thousands who will be married between now and next Tuesday, peak marriage season of the year.

DURING the next few days there will hardly be a church where a marriage is not solemnised. Brides and bridegrooms will line up to make their vows of faithfulness before God, and to seek the blessing of the Church on their new life together.

How are these men and women—mostly young men and women — approaching their marriage? They have fallen in love—for some it may have been love at first sight—and the chances are that, being young, they sincerely believe that that is all a successful marriage requires.

But "in-loveness," vital as it is, is like the poet's inspiration for a poem. Until he has tested his inspiration by sitting down with pencil and paper and seeing if it can be fashioned and disciplined into a permanent thing of beauty it is valueless; and if the inspiration should fail the poet's test, it must remain an airy bubble, brilliant and beautiful perhaps, but vanishing at the lightest touch.

SO, if you are in love, and contemplating marriage —above all if you are contemplating a Christian marriage, which entails making a solemn and lifelong vow before God—spend time in examining your "in loveness"; see if it can be fashioned, in marriage, into a permanent thing of beauty.

Remember that there is nothing of the holiday adventure about marriage once the honeymoon is over. It is a constructive task for two people, and because in its essence it is a partnership, you must first consider whether you are fitted to cooperate with another, or whether, by nature, you like only your own way and intend going your own way, regardless even of those you love.

If you have been a pampered, self-willed, ill-tempered, dominating child, don't commit the tragic mistake of asking somebody else to share your life. You may get a good bargain out of it, but your partner won't.

LET us assume that the people who are marrying within the next few days have decided on their ability to co-operate in marriage.

They will never regret it if they take time between now and their wedding day to sit down quietly and make themselves fully aware of the Christian outlook on marriage.

The Christian believes that marriage is a "holy estate" (ordained by God and sanctified by Christ by His presence at the marriage in Cana) having as its object the founding of a Christian home, in which husband and wife work together to bring up their children to be good Christians and good citizens.

If you are marrying and have made up your mind not to have children, think again and change your mind, for you are despoiling your marriage before it has begun. You are robbing it of its chief responsibility and its first reason for being entered upon, as well as its most enduring joy.

And at this point you can see how wide is the basis of your co-operation. It is not only a co-operation between your two selves to achieve a happy comradeship, though that is important enough; for, in your decision to have children and to bring them up in the sanctity of a good home, you are making a contribution both to your personal happiness and to the well-being of mankind.

YOU will start your new life together in the presence of God; on your wedding day you will stand before Him and make your vows, then kneel before Him to receive His blessing.

You realise that you are not undertaking a task that can be thrown over when either of you grows temporarily tired, but a task which you trust will be laid down only with death.

So you must bring to it all your powers, all your vitality and enthusiasm, all your endurance. And because no one is perfect you know you will need continually—to seek strength and encouragement by prayer for grace, wisdom, and understanding.

I know an old couple who have already celebrated their golden wedding. They made up their minds that from the day of their marriage they would say their prayers together every day, and that—because if they left them until bed-time they might be over-tired by work or overexcited by a theatre or dance—they would always give themselves an extra ten minutes to dress before their evening meal, and utilise that ten minutes for prayers.

Now, if every partner in marriage does something like that, their marriage will not drift on the rocks either of ill-temper, unfaithfulness, slovenliness, superficiality, or any other kind of disagreeableness.

IT is hard for the young—perhaps impossible—to visualise a time when they will be no longer young, when that rapturous "in-loveness" will have softened into a love of gentler quality, when the physical attraction of youthful elegance and bloom will be a beauty recaptured only in the memory. But that time must come unless death, untimely, intervenes.

And when it comes they will know how much more important are the things of the spirit than the things that time has swept away.

If in your wife's wrinkled cheek and fading eye you see shining a quiet, happy, loving spirit; if in her voice you hear tones of gentleness, loving-kindness, and sympathy; if in her laughter there is still the ring of good humour and an enjoyment of the happy things of life, you will kneel down beside her at eventide and thank God for her even more gratefully than you did on your wedding-day.

AGAIN, don't come to marriage feeling that it would be rather fun "to have a shot at it and see if you can make it a go." Somebody is going to suffer for that kind of puerile nonsense, for there is in it neither the will to endurance nor any sense of responsibility.

Once you have accepted the responsibility don't let anybody come between you, or dilly-dally with the idea that a passing love affair won't impair your marriage. It won't do it any good.

It would be stupid to suggest that a man and woman once married should never enjoy the company and conversation of another person of the opposite sex.

(Continued on Page 5.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You mean to say that Omar—the guy we work for—started all this on a single nail?"

Girl Sentenced

London, Apr. 4.

There were further Irish Republican Army sentences at the Old Bailey to-day when an 18-year-old girl was sentenced to three years detention at a Borstal institution for possessing explosive substances.

Two brothers were sentenced to five and four and a half years' penal servitude respectively, for possessing an alarm clock fitted for timing an explosion.—Reuter.

Col. Beck Starts Talks In London

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

New Nazi Threat To Patagonia

LAST NIGHT'S BIG NEWS FROM EUROPEAN FRONT

Germany, it is reported, intends to warn the smaller Powers against alignment in the British anti-aggression bloc. A report from Buenos Aires indicates that Patagonia is the next objective of the Nazi authorities.

Considerable activity was apparently in French diplomatic quarters on Monday when the British and Soviet Ambassadors called at the Foreign Office to discuss the Anglo-Polish conversations.

The British and French Ambassadors may be ordered back to Berlin for the purpose of co-ordinating and amplifying routine Embassy reports regarding the crisis. The French Air Minister is paying a visit to London to see his British counterpart, Sir Kingsley Wood.

Buenos Aires, Mar. 30.

Sensation has been created here by the publication in local leading newspapers of facsimile of a confidential document belonging to the Reich's Legation.

The document is a letter signed by Herr Von Schubert, Consellor of the Legation, and Alfred Mueller, Leader of the Argentine's Nazis, addressed to General Von Epp, Statthalter of Bavaria, and concurrently Chairman of the German Colonial League.

The letter referred to the defence of Patagonia's oil fields and stressed the possibility of Patagonia being annexed by the Reich. The letter mentioned military documents annexed to it.

Following the publication of this information, it is understood that the Government has decided to order an immediate investigation into the facts revealed and to take appropriate measures if they are found to be correct.—*Havas.*

Authenticity Doubts

Buenos Aires, Apr. 3.

It is understood that the police are becoming increasingly doubtful regarding the authenticity of the letter purporting to show the Nazi plans for the annexation of Patagonia.

While the most strict silence is being maintained regarding the investigations, it was learned that the police came into possession of information incriminating the past of the original informer of the affair, Enrique Jurges.

It is not known whether the police obtained the information or if it was offered to them, but it is understood that it records the alleged conviction of Jurges for forgery in Germany at an unknown date.

Meanwhile, the police continued to hold both Jurges and Alfredo Muller. —*United Press.*

DEMONSTRATION NEAR CHILE EMBASSY

Santiago, Chile, Apr. 4.

A time bomb exploded at 1.50 a.m. to-day in a sidewalk close to the driveway to the German Embassy, slightly damaging the outer wall and shattering a few of the Embassy windows. There were no casualties.

The Ambassador and Baroness von Schoen got up, inspected the damage and returned to bed. The Baroness in a telephone message connected the explosion with the anti-German press campaign now going on.—*United Press.*

ABSORBING ALBANIA

Tirana, Apr. 4.

A semi-official statement declares, "Certain foreign newspapers and several radio stations announced to-day that a protectorate over Albania was imminent. This news can be considered as without foundation, as Albania would never admit violation of her independence or her integrity."

Reports from London state that while there are indications of military activity in Italy, British official circles in London declare that they have no information to support reports that Italy is concentrating troops at ports lying opposite Albania.

It is stated that the British Government find it difficult to believe that the Italian Government would take any action liable to impair the independence or freedom of action of Albania. It is further pointed out that anything which did so impair the independence of Albania would violate the Anglo-Italian Agreement. —*Reuter.*

BECK IN LONDON

London, Apr. 4.

Col. Beck will meet Mr. Neville Chamberlain, accompanied by Lord Halifax, in the Premier's room in the House of Commons at 5 p.m. The talks, which will continue until a late hour, will be resumed to-morrow as Col. Beck is guest of honour at a dinner at the Foreign Office.

Continued unreserved approval of Britain's new foreign policy as enunciated by Mr. Chamberlain marks the comment in the French as well as British press. While the Nazi press is wrathful, in Rome the morning papers did everything to belittle the policy, which is interpreted as an aggressive attempt to encircle innocent Germany.—*Reuter.*

CABINET RESHUFFLE

London, Apr. 4.

Rumours of an imminent reshuffle of the British Cabinet have been given new ground by the friendly references made by Mr. Chamberlain during the House of Commons debate to Mr. Anthony Eden.

After the close of the debate last night, the probability was mentioned that after all the creation of a Ministry of Supply under Mr. Eden was contemplated.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Apr. 4.

Although the British-Polish conversations in London will not be completed before to-morrow evening, they are reported to have reached such an advanced stage by noon to-day that informed quarters are already able to speak of the conclusion of a defensive alliance between Britain and Poland.

Lord Halifax is believed to have informed Col. Beck that the unilateral pledge of British assistance for Poland was merely in the nature of an interim announcement made with a view to consultations still in progress. On the other hand, if Poland desires to reckon on British assistance later on it would now have to abandon its policy of neutrality, as Britain was not prepared to take over the commitment unless it was based on reciprocity.—*Trans-Ocean.*

MOVES IN FRANCE

Paris, Apr. 4.

Authoritative quarters here are confident that France, Britain, Poland and Rumania will be linked in an automatic system of mutual assistance in the event of Hitler moving.

It is learnt from very reliable sources that Britain and France will now endeavour to include Greece and Yugo-Slavia in the anti-aggression bloc.—*United Press.*

Military Programme

Paris, Apr. 3.

The French Government to-day intensified the military programme with a decree for a national preliminary training system in order to obtain air force reserves.

It is also understood that British and French army staffs are scheduled to confer with Soviet military authorities regarding the role of the Russian army.—*United Press.*

Paris Activity

Paris, Apr. 4.

While the Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, is conducting negotiations with the British Government in London, Paris is likewise doing its part to prepare the ground for an anti-aggression pact.

The conversations which the Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet had yesterday with the Soviet Ambassador, M. Suritz, the British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, and the Turkish Minister, Suad Dawaz, all served this purpose, according to the *Excelsior* this morning which states that M. Bonnet informed the diplomatic representatives of the three Powers that France regards the participation not only of Poland and Rumania but also the Soviet Union and Turkey in the defensive alliance as desirable.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Soviet Attitude

Paris, Apr. 4.

Soviet Russia, according to the French press this morning, has officially denied the truth of the rumours that she had pledged assistance to Poland if attacked.

It it added that the Soviet Union gave neither Poland nor any other country such an assurance and that Russia in the event of war was not obliged to supply war materials to Poland or to other countries, or to cease supplying Germany with raw material.—*Trans-Ocean.*

AFRICAN COLONIES

Paris, Apr. 4.

Propaganda for the purpose of strengthening the bonds between France and her African possessions is to be introduced on an extensive scale by the nationwide organisation known as the Youth of The French Empire which is directed by the son of the Premier, M. Daladier.

The first plan is to acquaint the French youth with North Africa and the native youth of Tunis and Algeria with France, by means of extensive tours during which the participants will be given a chance to become acquainted with the life and customs in the different parts of the Empire.

Three individual tours have been planned for the time being, two from France to Tunis and Algeria respectively and one from North Africa to France where the participants will be shown the former battlefields and the Maginot line. The members of all three groups will then meet in Tunis on September 2 for a congress and demonstration of solidarity.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SLOVAK FRONTIERS

Bratislava, Apr. 4.

A Hungaro-Slovak frontier incident occurred yesterday near Kosice, where patrols exchanged shots. One Slovak and one Hungarian have been deputed as a commission to investigate the incident, which is not thought likely to create complications.

The Hungaro-Slovak Treaty with regard to the new frontier will, it is reported, cost Slovakia 40,000 inhabitants, mostly Ruthenians.

Slovak quarters emphasise that although a chain of mountains will be ceded to Hungary, which may be strategically important for Hungary with regard to the protection of the railway from Ungvar to Lwow, Slovakia will lose only the poorest region.

M. Czermak, a former Minister known for his radical views, has been appointed Slovak Minister to Berlin and is leaving Bratislava to-day.

M. Durcansky, the Foreign Minister, is also going to Berlin for talks with regard to the consolidation of the internal situation in Slovakia.

M. Mach, Minister for Propaganda, announced that the single political party in Slovakia will be organised on totalitarian lines.

The Slovak Government will become a totalitarian government.—*Reuter Special.*

Agreement Reached

Budapest, Apr. 4.

The Hungarian and Slovak representatives on the mixed committee for settlement of the frontier dispute, signed a final agreement at noon o-day which cedes a frontier strip to a depth of 15 to 20 kilometres of Slovak territory along the Slovak-Carpetho-Ukrainian frontier to Hungary.

Hungary is now a country of 117,-000 square kilometres and 10,700,000 inhabitants, as against 93,000 square kilometres and 8,000,000 inhabitants before the Vienna agreement last autumn.—*Trans-Ocean.*

United States

ENORMOUS BILL FOR THE ARMY

Washington, Apr. 4.

President Roosevelt to-day signed the $358,000,000 Army Air Defence Bill, authorising a large proportion of the sum to be devoted to increasing the number of army aeroplanes to 6,000. The remainder of the money will be utilised on Panama Canal defences and in order to "educate United States industry in the manufacture of war materials."—*Reuter.*

BRITISH AIR DEFENCE

London, Apr. 4.

The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, speaking at Liverpool on aircraft production said that he was glad to see the aircraft industry now working to full capacity.

About 3,500 firms were now engaged in sub-contracting work, the labour forces in aircraft production generally were being steadily increased month by month and during the last few months had been increased by 40 per cent., he said.

More than 100 squadrons of air defence cadet corps have now been formed, and though a similar number of squadrons remains to be formed they are coming into existence so rapidly that the limit of 200 squadrons will be reached without much difficulty.—*British Wireless.*

CANADA'S POSITION

Ottawa, Apr. 4.

The Conservative, Mr. Howard Green, has advised the Canadian Government to immediately seek defensive alliances with the United States, Britain and British possessions in the Pacific. He described the present policy of making no military commitments as a delusion and a snare.

Mr. Howard said that Canada should have participated in the recent Pacific defence conference, held in New Zealand, because she was partly dependent on the Singapore naval base and fleets of sister Dominions in the Pacific for protection.—*United Press.*

Denmark

LATEST ELECTION RESULTS

Copenhagen, Apr. 3.

Latest returns of the present election indicate that Parliament will not be changed.

The Farmers' Party won 7,000 votes, while the Liberals, Communists and Danish Nazis received 10,000 each. The Laborites lost 30,000 votes.

In South Jutland, near the German border, the Germans won 2,500 votes, but the Danes had 10,500.

Unidentified persons overturned flagpoles and cut the halyards flying Danish flags in the north Schleswig areas.

Police searched two German Nazi agents while they were placing posters on buildings at Haderslev.—*United Press.*

Six Children Die in Fire

Shanghai, Apr. 4.

Six Chinese children were burned to death and eight Chinese women were seriously burned when a fire destroyed a block of Chinese houses of the poor class type, mainly consisting of wood and mud straw huts, here yesterday.—*United Press.*

U.S.-Japan

Closer Friendship Appeal

Tokyo, Apr. 4.

Renewed pleas for closer friendship between Japan and the United States were voiced by Japan's Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, and the Mayor of Tokyo, Mr. Ichita Kobashi, when they broadcast messages of congratulations to the American People on Monday morning on the occasion of the opening of the New York World Fair.

Speaking through the air for half an hour from 3.30 a.m. (Tokyo time), Premier Hiranuma stressed that good relations have happily been preserved between Japan and the United States for many years.

Reviewing the relations that have developed between the two nations since the first vist to Japan of the American Consul-General, Mr. Townsend Harris, Premier Hiranuma expressed the hope that the New World Fair organized in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the American Federal Government, will prove an effective instrument for promoting the welfare and prosperity of mankind.

Mayor Kobashi expressed deep appreciation for the warm sympathy shown to Japan by the American People at the time of the Great Earthquake and Fire in 1925.

Under the heading, Re-adjustment of American-Japanese Relations, the *Nichinichi Shimbun* declares that it is opportune at this time to renew efforts towards the re-adjustment of relations between Japan and America.

Friendly relations between the two countries form the basis not only of peace in East Asia but of the peace of the world, the journal states.

The history of the friendship between Japan and America extends over 80 years, and it was America who opened Japan for intercourse with the world Powers.

As indicating the traditional friendship between the two countries, the journal cites the goodwill shown by America in transporting the ashes of the late Mr. Hiroshi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to Washington, aboard the cruiser Astoria to Japan, and the popularity of the Japanese Pavilion at the San Francisco Exhibition.

The *Nichinichi* expresses regret that some Americans seem to regard the conclusion of the anti-Comintern Pact and the cultural agreements with Italy and Germany as a bloc between the three countries concerned and constituting an obstacle to the promotion of American-Japanese relations.—*Domei.*

U.S. NOT INTERESTED

Washington, Apr. 4.

Senator Borah has issued a warning against the United States taking an over-active interest in Japan's action in the Sprattley Islands, which he points out is a problem for France. He asserts that Sprattley Islands are no more significant to the United States than other islands and territories Japan has occupied around the Philippines. From a military standpoint the Philippines have been long indefensible before the occupation of Sprattley Islands.

Senator Elbert Thomas said that the occupation of the islands was a perfectly logical manoeuvre in connection with the occupation of Hainan. It helped to open Japan's path to a source of supply in the Dutch East Indies.—*United Press.*

Wool From Seaweed

Tokyo.

Japanese to-day are making wool from seaweed. Along the stormy coasts of North-eastern Japan, where sea-weed is washed up in thousands of pounds, the Toho Artificial Fibre Company of Tokyo has established a new factory capable of turning out five tons of "wool" a day.

Manchukuo

TO BUILD HER OWN NAVY

But Financial Aid Still Necessary

Hsinking, Apr. 4.

In an exclusive interview with Mr. E. A. Kennard, editor of the *Japan Chronicle*, leading British-managed English newspaper in Japan, General Chang Ching-hui, the Manchukuo Premier, declared that here was no suggestion at present that Manchukuo should make an additional financial contribution towards Japan's military expenses in Manchukuo.

Premier Chang pointed out that Manchukuo was a young and momentarily weak State, so that it was both necessary and natural for her to continue to rely on Japan's assistance.

Premier Chang then made an unexpected declaration that Manchukuo had definitely decided to build her own Navy and that the question of tonnage and numbers of vessels was at present under discussion.

"We intend to build even battleships and cruisers in addition to warships of smaller types," Premier Chang said.

Questioned regarding the Soviet-Manchukuo border situation, Premier Chang declared that though border incidents continued to be numerous, Moscow would not contemplate a trial of strength. "The position has altered for the better since the battle of Changkufeng last August as far as we are concerned. That battle was a decisive defeat for the Soviet. We believe that the Soviet Government has discovered that it will not pay them to adopt a policy of aggression across the Manchukuo border."

"The series of incidents which has taken place since the Changkufeng Affair is designed to irritate and annoy both Manchukuo and Japan and to cause us trouble, but the situation is not critical." Premier Chang remarked.

General Chang added that the Manchukuo Government proposed to make further suggestions to the Soviet Government for a more exact delimitation of the 3,700-kilometre border where the ravages of time have removed at many places the border marks fixed 70 years ago.

The changes which have occurred in the border rivers, and particularly the appearance of new islands in the Amur River, have provided cause for other disputes. Premier Chang recalled that the Manchukuo Government on two occasions some time ago proposed the formation of a commission to examine the entire boundary question but the Soviet refused. Since the battle of Changkufeng, the Manchukuo Government has not considered it necessary to renew the proposal.

Concluding, Premier Chang stated that Manchukuo welcomed the Japanese colonisation schemes in Manchukuo which is opening up new and hitherto uncultivated areas. The Manchukuo Government also welcomes agricultural labour immigrating from China, General Chang added.—*Domei.*

Syria

Riots Spread: Negotiations Break Down

Cairo, Apr. 4.

The situation in Syria has become more serious since yesterday, according to reports arriving from Damascus which state that the Syrian President, Atassi, has broken off his negotiations with the French authorities.

In an attempt to put an end to the uprisings and disorders throughout the country, the French militia has made an increasing number of arrests, over 300 persons in Damascus alone having been taken into custody. A 24-hour curfew has been imposed on Damascus as well as Aleppo, and the French garrisons throughout the country are in a constant state of preparedness since an open revolution is liable to begin at the first sign of relaxation on the part of the military authorities.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Spelling Bee

HOW *many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?*

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English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

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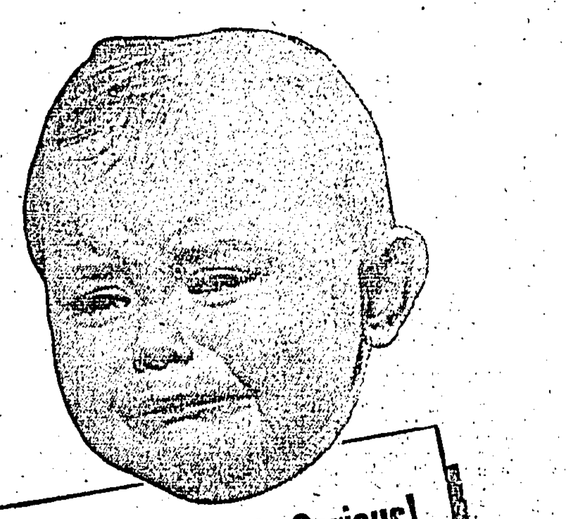
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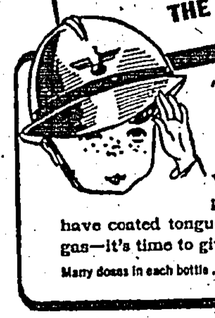


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SOUTH CHINA "B" BEATEN IN THEIR LAST SOCCER LEAGUE GAME

ROYAL SCOTS IN FINE FORM AT SOOKUNPOO

Though the issue was in doubt until almost the final whistle, the Royal Scots undoubtedly deserved their victory over South China "B" in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League at Sookunpoo yesterday. Leading by two goals to one at half-time, they eventually won by 3-1.

The game was fast and keen, and except for one short period when tempers became a trifle frayed, play was always interesting. Two penalties—one for each side—were awarded during the match, and both resulted in goals.

After ten minutes of even play, in the course of which the ball travelled from one end to the other without either side being able to find the net, the Scots went ahead as a result of a penalty, given against the Chinese for a foul on Parnaby. Bailey converted the spot-kick.

Despite constant pressure at this stage, the Chinese defence held out. Tsang Ka-wing, in goal, dealt very capably with all the shots fired at him, and on one occasion at least saved what appeared to be a certain goal.

Then in one of their rare raids, the Chinese equalised. A Scots defender handled the ball in the penalty area, and Yeung Shui-yick gave Duncan no chance with his shot.

Just before the whistle blew for half-time, the Scots went ahead once more, Cook jumping on a partial clearance and scoring.

SECOND HALF

Play in the second half remained as keen as in the first, and both sets of defences were called upon to do a great deal of work. Once Parnaby broke through and netted, but his goal was disallowed. The Chinese in their turn attacked with a good deal of determination in an attempt to obtain the equaliser, but Naysmith and Fraser, the Scots' backs, and Duncan, in goal, proved themselves worthy of the occasion, stemming the Chinese attack time and again. The goal-keeper particularly was in grand form and pushed out shot after shot.

Towards the end, however, the soldiers definitely had the upper hand. They made the issue safe a few minutes from the final whistle when Marshall scored from a free kick just outside the penalty area.

The Chinese defence also showed up well during the game, but the forwards were never clever enough to beat the Scottish defenders.

Teams:

Royal Scots.—Duncan; Naysmith, Fraser; Brown, Marshall, Clarke; Cook, Parnaby, McDonald and Bankier.

South China "B".—Tsang Ka-wing; Kwok Ping-tung, Lau Mau; Leung Pak-wai, Lim Tak-po, Lau Tin-sang; Yeung Shui-yick, Au Sze-ngok, Yeung Kam-po, Chau Wai-sang and Tse Konn-hing.

Tennis Programme Postponed

Owing to the sodden state of the courts, no matches will be played at the Hongkong C.C. to-day in the Colony Tennis Championships.

Television Worries The Boxing Board

TWO SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

London, March 5.

There is a new television slogan which says "You can't shut your eyes to it." That is exactly what the stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control think, particularly the chairman, Col. R. E. Myddelton.

The Boon—Danahar fight having been televised on cinema screens for the entertainment of people sitting miles away from the contest, it would be surprising if the stewards failed to recognise television as something which may change the whole face of professional boxing says Geoffrey Simpson.

Col. Myddelton, a far-seeing man, believes a round-table talk is called for. He has convened a special meeting of the board's administrative stewards in London. The subject will be: "Television, broadcasting, film photography, and their relationship to the interests of boxing."

There are two schools of thought among the higher-ups of boxing on the value of an ordinary broadcast. As for promoters, some are in favour of fights being put on the air; others are dead against it, saying it spoils seat bookings.

EPOCH-MAKING

Now that television of boxing has arrived, it is realised that a definite attitude must be taken.

The re-diffusion of the Boon-Danahar fight was an epoch-making event in the sports-news entertainment industry.

The cinema people hailed it as a triumph, as indeed it was. Instead of showing championship fights in one or two theatres, they plan to screen them for the cinema-going public throughout the country.

And, as a matter of record, please note that there are over 3,000 cinemas in Britain.

Now, if, say in two-years time (perhaps less) any one can walk into any of the several hundred cinemas advertising "To-night at 10 o'clock Boon v. Armstrong.....world championship fight," what is going too happen?

PRICE DIFFERENCE

A seat at the picture costs 1s. or 2s. You see Boon clouting Armstrong, or vice versa, full size, with close-ups, at the same time that people gathered at Harringay are watching the actual flesh-and-blood battle.

The only difference is that the Harringay crowd has the privilege of watching the men in the flesh and of paying 3 guineas or 5 guineas instead of 2s.

Television of big fights is, of course, fine for stay-at-home boxing followers—but will it, in the long run, prove good for boxing?

That is what the Board of Control must decide. Their only wish is to help the sport and guard its future. There is alarm in many quarters; that some boxing folk see in television a threat to their livelihood.

TRICKY PROBLEM

In any case, there is already a strong feeling that if televising of fights to cinema audiences is to become general, then promoters are going to have the dickens of a job to obtain customers at five guineas per person.

The cheapest seats at important fights—and they are a long way back—are 6s. each. In future a close-up view of the most expensive contest that can be arranged may be on sale at cinemas for 2s.

We must remember that television as yet is in its infancy. We thought the first talkies were wonderful, but they do not compare with the modern production.

Even the ordinary wireless commentary is feared by some fight promoters. When they have a sell-out, they don't mind, but when bookings are not strong, they say people stay at home and listen-in instead of going to the contest—especially on wet nights.

FASTER WICKETS WANTED BY GLOUCESTER

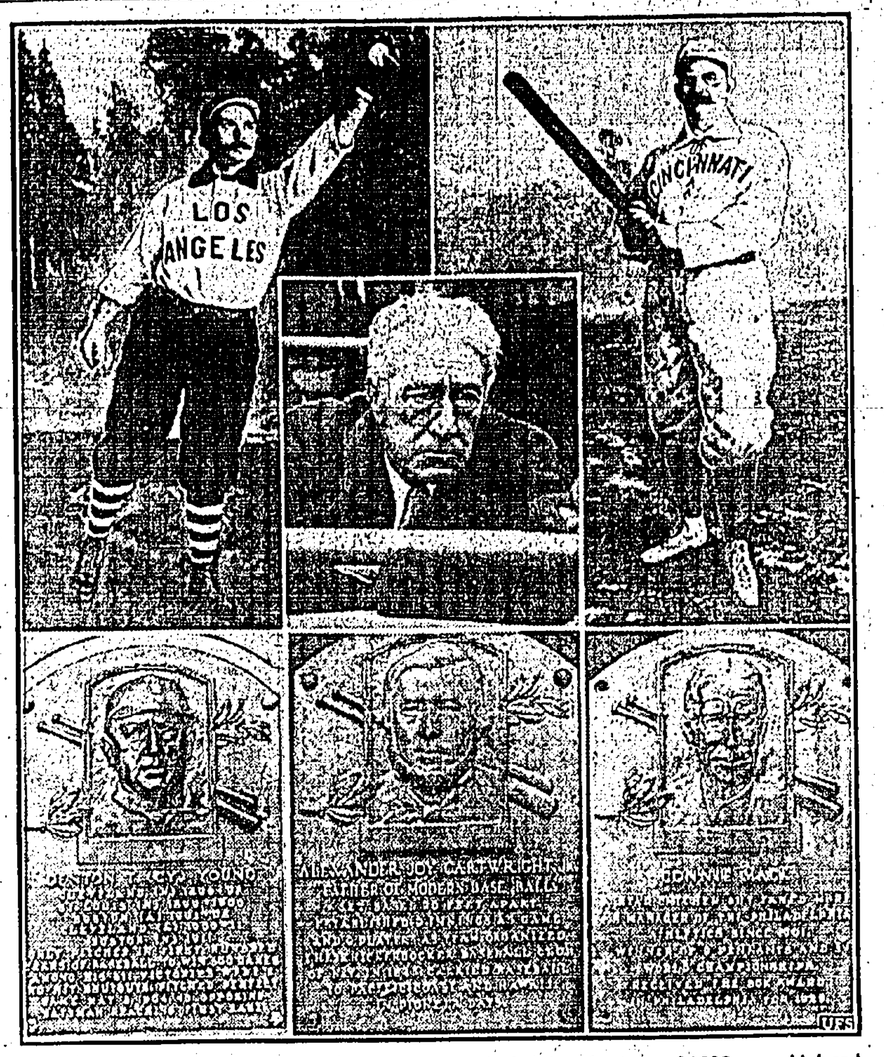
London, March 10.

Gloucester C.C.C. are taking steps to better the wickets at Bristol, which, states the annual report, have been a source of considerable anxiety.

An analysis of specimen turfs by an expert from the Royal Agricultural College has shown that an undue proportion of organic matter was the cause of the lifeless pitches, and special treatment is being carried out which it is hoped will improve the nature of the soil and result in faster wickets.



Mrs. M. R. Burke, who plays right back for the "Y" Ladies' hockey team, will sail for England on the Eitrick to-morrow. Her departure will be a serious loss to ladies' hockey in the Colony.



BASEBALL'S CENTENNIAL—This year marks the 100th anniversary of the national game, said to have been originated by General Abner Doubleday, in Cooperstown, N. Y. It was Alexander J. Cartwright, however, who created the baseball diamond with bases 90 feet apart, as they have remained for 90 years. At top are two old-time uniforms. Left, Charles A. Reilly of the Los Angeles team of 1902 wears high red leather shoes with pants and shirt collar of brilliant red. Right, Cal A. McVey of the first professional team, the Cincinnati Red Stockings of 1869. Stockings were bright red. Center, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, czar of baseball. Bottom, plaques of Cy Young, Cartwright and Connie Mack at Hall of Fame, Cooperstown.

Dates For Badminton Final Ties

(By "The Bird")

Dates for the finals of the Colony badminton championships were arranged at a meeting of the sub-committee of the Badminton Association last evening.

Two of the finals will be played at Club de Recreio, and two at Taikoo.

On Wednesday next, April 12, the men's junior singles final will be played at Club de Recreio, starting at 8.30 p.m.

This will be followed by the mixed doubles final.

S. H. Boone and D. Kwok are the contestants in the junior singles, while in the mixed doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo, the holders, will again meet M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

Mr. H. Kew will umpire the first match, and Mr. S. A. Gray the second, and there will be an admission charge of 30 cents.

On Thursday, April 13, the remaining two finals will be played at Taikoo.

The first, at 8.30, will be the men's senior singles between P. K. Hui (holder) and C. Au.

This will be followed by the men's doubles between the holders, P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong, and C. Au and F. Koh or P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim.

The Au and Koh v. Bun and Lim semi-final tie will be decided this evening at the Club de Recreio.

The same admission charge of 30 cents will be made for the finals at Taikoo.

SHANGHAI VISIT

In the meantime, it is understood that a group of Club de Recreio players have finalised arrangements for a visit to Shanghai. The players, comprising M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios, Miss M. Silva, Miss M. Ribeiro, Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Xavier, will sail for Shanghai on Thursday next, April 13. They will return here on April 27, and during their week's stay in Shanghai, will meet one or two local teams, including Club Lusitano representatives.

British Boxing Board Tired Of Dictation From United States

The British Boxing Board of Control has broken with the New York State Athletic Commission so far as a working agreement is concerned, but it is doubtful whether the action will cause any tears in Britain.

Little satisfaction has been obtained in recent years through the association with the politically-controlled New York body, and the British Board is to be commended for refusing to accept the slight which has been put upon it, says Joe Bromley.

The British Board first took offence when in February they suspended Tommy Farr and the New York body refused to uphold the suspension on their side of the Atlantic. On learning of the decision, the British Board wrote to New York regretting the Commission's step and gave 30 days' notice of the Board's intention to abrogate the agreement between the two bodies.

The New York body has for long considered that they are a law unto themselves so far as boxing is concerned. They set up and knock down world champions at the slightest provocation, and many of their actions in that direction have been farcical.

Bowls Committee To Meet Next Week

A meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.30 p.m. in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Arrangements for the coming League season will be decided at the meeting.

Quist Cures Himself Of Foot Faults

Sydney, Mar. 27.

Adrian Quist, the Australian Davis Cup star, interviewed here, says that as the result of intensive training at the hands of the former world champion, Norman Brookes, who is now president of the Australian L.T.A., he has cured himself of his foot-fault habit.

Mr. Brookes, who was probably the greatest left-handed lawn tennis player the world has ever seen, was very perturbed by the possible effect of Quist's foot-faulting on what is hoped to be Australia's best chance to win the Davis Cup this year.

He showed Quist how, by standing a little further behind the baseline, and throwing the ball more in front of the body, he could obtain the same service pace without risk of foot-fault.

After a few hours' practice, Quist was serving without sign of faulting.—Reuter.

DRAW MADE IN INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

The draw for the International Hockey Tournament, the first round of which will be played on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.15 p.m. resulted as follows:

FIRST ROUND
(TOP HALF)

Wales v. Ireland
(on U.S.R.C. ground)
Portugal v. Continent
(on Club ground)

BOTTOM HALF

Scotland v. England
(on C.B.A. ground)
India v. China
(on Recreio ground)

The semi-finals will be played on April 10, and the final on April 23.

BOBBY JONES' RECORD EQUALLED BY YOUNG PROFESSIONAL GOLFER

By George Greenwood

London, Mar. 3.

After an interval of 13 years Bobby Jones' record round of 66 on the Old course at Sunningdale has been equalled. William Smithers, formerly a caddie there, and now assistant to Michael Bingham, accomplished this remarkable score—eight strokes under the scratch score—when winning the Guildford and District Alliance championship yesterday.

To the 66 on the Old he added a 75 on the Jubilee course for a total of 141.

In comparing the achievements of the two men it is not without interest that Jones' score was made on a still June day, while Smithers' was made in a strong wind. Since 1926 the course has undergone only one major alteration—a new green at the seventh cut out of the hillside instead of the hidden green on the other side of the high ridge on the left.

COURSE SCRATCH SCORE—74

Hole	Yards	Scratch	Hole	Yards	Scratch
1	492	5	10	448	5
2	451	5	11	315	4
3	202	4	12	421	5
4	152	3	13	175	3
5	391	4	14	473	5
6	392	4	15	229	3
7	433	4	16	420	5
8	163	3	17	422	4
9	270	4	18	415	4
	3014	36		3324	38

Except for the addition a few yards here and there—the 11th with its blind drive over a hill being about 20 yards longer—the course is the same as when the famous American player startled the world by doing two rounds of 66 and 68 in the qualifying stages of the Open championship, which he subsequently won at Lytham and St. Annes.

Without in any way attempting to minimise the wonderful effort of Smithers, I am afraid it is not possible to award the same unqualified praise as that earned by Bobby Jones. His was the dream round, every shot being hit to the right place with a simplicity of movement that was almost exasperating. The same can scarcely be said about Smithers. He made a few mistakes and was also blessed with a little luck.

RECORD INWARD HALF

The feature of his round was the extraordinary inward half of 30, a score that has never before been accomplished. His figures for this stretch were 3, 3, 4, 2, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4. Jones took 33, his figures being: 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4. While Jones did not take more than four at any hole, Smithers started 6, 5, a beginning to a round which would have discouraged most players. But if ever there was a dramatic change of fortune he supplied it, for he was nine under 4's for the other 16 holes, despite a 5 at the sixth.

In the teeth of the wind at the first, Smithers attempted to get home with two driver shots—and was trapped in a bunch of hummocks on the left. At the second he was over the green with a No. 3 iron. Thus in two holes three shots for a 2 at the 4th and drove the green at the ninth and was out in 36.

PRODIGIOUS DRIVES

He started back with a couple of 3's, holding from four yards at the tenth and driving to the edge of the green at the 11th—a prodigious shot. He was now in the mood when everythink went right. Smithers had another 2 at the 13th, where his tee-shot finished a yard from the pin, and though bunkered from his second at the 14th he pitched boldly out and holed the putt for a 4. He got his 3 at the 15th by another deft chip to the holeside, while at the 16th, with the wind behind, he put a No. 4 iron a yard from the flag and holed the putt for another 3.

His inward half might very well have been 28, for at each of the last two holes the putt stopped on the lips for a 3. It was too much to expect that Smithers would repeat this performance in his second round on the Jubilee course, a stern test of infinite variety. Again he started with a 6 and had two more before the round, for which he took 75, was finished.

A splendid putter, who keeps the club-head low to the ground, Smithers again had a couple of 2's and also an eagle 3 at the long eleventh. He won the championship which Alfred Perry did not defend, with five strokes to spare. Arthur Lacey was second with 146 and Leonard Crawley was not only leading amateur but finished third with 148. A. D. Poulton, of Burhill, won the assistants' championship with a total of 150, his score of 73 being the best on the Jubilee course.

Leading scores (Old course first): W. Smithers (Sunningdale, asst.), 66-75—141; A. J. Lacey (Berkshire), 70-76—146; Mr. L. G. Crawley (Sunningdale), 72-76—148; W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park), 149; R. G. French (W. Surrey), 150; A. D. Poulton (Burhill, asst.), 150; F. Wallis (Farnham), 153; D. J. Rees (Hindhead), 153; H. B. Rhodes (S. Herts, 150; H. A. J. Young (Sonning, asst.), 150; C. L. White (St. George's Hill, asst.), 150; H. G. Bowen (Berks, asst., 150; T. W. Allen (Rochampton, asst.), 150; A. G. Matthews (Rochampton, asst.), 150; A. G. Matthews (Rochampton), 101; G. Webb (Laleham, asst.), 151; H. C. Rule (R. Wimbledon, asst.), 151.

NO CHANGE WANTED IN GOLF BALL

London, March 10.

The English Golf Union decides at their Council Meeting on Thursday, March 15, to recommend to St. Andrew's that the golf ball should be left as it is. Headquarters is collating opinions as to whether any reduction in the carrying-power of the ball is desirable.

Capt. A. Stanley Bright was elected president of the union, with Capt. Angus Hambro, M.P., deputy-president. All entrants for next year's English Amateur Championship (to be held at Hayling) will be required to sign a declaration that during the preceding 12 months they have not received gifts or partial gifts of balls or clubs because of their skill as golfers.

The Union is to promote a 72-holes open stroke competition, for the Moore Brabazon Cup, at Hoylake on October 4, 5 and 6. The event will be open to all English amateurs, and the leading 40 players after 36 holes will be eligible to play on the final day.



MATCHED WITH BOMBER—Fight fans haven't much hope that Jack Roper, above, will stay long with Champion Joe Louis, when they meet in the boxing ring in Los Angeles, April 24. Louis, 25, was a one-round victor over Schmeling and John Henry Lewis. Roper, 33, was kayoed in one round by Braddock in 1931 and slashed to ribbons by Godoy in 1937.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



QUICK-FIRE CRICKET TESTS ON THE WAY

Visit Of West Indian Team Being Awaited With Great Interest

London, March 21.

After the weariness of the timeless final Test at Durban, England's players are now gladly resting on the Athlone Castle on their way home. They may also be rejoicing in the thought that they are returning to a series of Tests that will be short, sharp, and lively.

The matches are the series next summer with West Indies, whose colourful, happy-go-lucky players will, unless they have changed a great deal, and for the worse, treat the game for exactly what they are—games.

Nor can England assume that the Tests will be cakewalks. At the smiting business the West Indians are a delight, and, if things come off for them, their style will be admirably suited to three-days cricket, says Geoffrey Simpson.

Whereas one cannot be sure of the English team, who, as a result of consecutive series against Australia and South Africa, have attuned themselves to slow-motion stuff. Look at Gibb's crawling century of over seven hours!

There will have to be a general shake-up if England are to escape from the drawn match. England will certainly not win these three-days Tests against West Indies by their Durban methods. The clock would beat them every time.

REALLY LIVELY

For exhilarating cricket one must go to the Lancashire League these days, in which they start and finish matches in the afternoon. And it is in Lancashire that George Headley, that black Bradman, "Leary" Constantine, of the elastic body, and Emanuel Martindale, bowler of "thunderbolts," have been keeping hand and eye in.

This trio will be in the West Indies eleven. They are temporarily forsaking profitable engagements in the north to help West Indies, and there's no doubt their experience of English conditions will be valuable to the keen youngsters who will be paying their first visit.

WINDOW-BREAKER

Constantine will be a joy to watch if he does his Lancashire League batting in the Tests. When he is "seeing them well" he is liable to smash any window within range of a six-hit.

He is studying law with a view to becoming a solicitor. He's had a good innings at cricket and is looking ahead. He is 37.

Headley, idol of Northern crowds, has ideas of finishing up as a dentist, and Martindale, has done so well for himself out of cricket that he reckons eventually to return to his own sunny shores more or less independent.

TEST OF STYLES

It is going to be very interesting, this struggle between men with a natural quick-fire style and England players, who, against their wishes, have been turned into marathon experts.

The only regret is that Constantine will not be bowling as he used to do. This great all-rounder was a bowler of genuine "express." He could be a real terror, but the advance of time has told.

He has turned into a slow spin and googly exponent, and has no wish to be a speed bowler. He is getting plenty of wickets with his new style, and as for his batting it is as pulverising as ever.

Martindale is supposed to be the only shock bowler of class in the side, but E. A. V. Williams, from Barbados, is a real "dark horse"—a pace man who can keep going for long spells.

THE TEAM

Here the chosen players who are due to open the campaign against Worcestershire at Worcester in the early days of May:

R. S. Grant (capt.), L. S. Constantine, G. Gomez, Tyrell Johnson, Jeffery Stollmeyer, Victor Stollmeyer (Trindad), George Headley, Ivan Barrow (wicketkeeper), J. H. Cameron, Kenneth Weekes (Jamaica), H. P. Bayley (British Guiana), E. A. Martindale, C. B. Clarke, J. E. D. Sealey and E. A. Williams (Barbados).

Three Tests will be played, the first at Lord's, beginning on June 24, the second at Manchester on July 22, and the third at Kennington Oval on August 19.

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Indoor Bowling

Competitors Defeat Hopefuls

Playing in the second round, second stage of the Ewo League at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys yesterday, the "Competitors" beat "Mindanao Hopefuls" by 477 points. Scores:

"Mindanao Hopefuls"				
L. J. Attwood	113	94	155	307
R. N. Philo	130	108	114	352
S. F. Duknowski	84	122	108	314
C. F. Watson	124	110	111	345
Total				1,378
"Competitors"				
Ernie Hearther	200	187	165	552
Dick Venezia	170	174	159	503
Doc Molthen	143	164	129	436
Chas Miller	131	116	117	364
Total				1,855



Of interest to Hongkong's cinema public is this photo, taken recently in the offices of the King's Theatre when Mr. John. Albeck, Far Eastern Supervisor of Columbia Pictures Corporation, signed a big contract with the management of the Theatre for the exhibition of the latest Columbia Pictures, including the best film of 1938, Frank Capra's "You Can't Take It With You," which is scheduled to be shown this week-end. Seated from left to right are: Mr. Johnston Wong, Branch Manager of Columbia, Mr. C. H. Liang, Managing Director of the King's Theatre, Mr. John. Albeck, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. K. L. Chang, Mr. George Sun, Directors of the King's Theatre.—*King's Studio.*

WEEK-END FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The following is the local Football League schedule for the coming week-end:

SATURDAY, APR. 8.

Senior Shield Final

South China "A" v. Police (Club), 4 p.m. Referee, Omar. Linesmen, Goss and Ip.

Junior Shield Final

Middlesex v. Royal Scots (Club), 2.15 p.m. Referee, Stedman. Linesmen, Clarke and Hinchcliffe.

First Division

Royal Scots v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Adlam. Linesmen, Barretto and Somerville.

Tennis Matches Re-Arranged

The following matches in the Hongkong Cricket Club tennis tournament have been rearranged:

To-day.—Handicap Doubles, H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson.

To-morrow.—Club Championship, E. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald. Handicap Singles, T. J. Price v. W. Wooding.

KOWLOON C.C. 2ND. XI

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI in a League cricket match against the Police at Happy Valley on Saturday:

W. Mulcahy (Capt.), R. Baldwin, F. A. Broadbridge, A. A. Dand, S. A. Gray, G. A. Goodban, B. D. Lay, W. L. McKenzie, T. A. Madar, R. A. J. Simpson and G. E. Taylor. Umpire, H. Overy. Scorer, A. Wright.

ITALIAN INFLUENCE

English Society Hears Literary Talk

An interesting talk on the influence of Italian on 15th. and 16th. century English literature, was given at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon by Mrs. M. Allison. It was the sixth and last meeting of the 1938-9 session of the Hongkong branch of the English Association.

Mrs. Allison extensively reviewed the movement of the Renaissance over Europe, and spoke on the influence of explorers like Columbus and Hawkins on literature by the people with whom they made contact.

She showed how Shakespeare had been influenced by the Italian writers of his period.

Three Cities After Louis-Galento Bout States Matchmaker

Miami Beach, Fla., March 1.

Three cities—Chicago, Philadelphia and Jersey City—already have entered strenuous bids for the Joe Louis-Tony Galento heavyweight championship fight in June, the formal announcement of which was made by Promoter Mike Jacobs in a memorable session on the beach here to-day.

"It'll draw over a million dollars any place I hold it," declared Mike, resplendent in red bathing trunks. "And I'm not fooling about staging it outside New York if I get the right sort of an offer."

Sitting right by Mike's warm side at the time was Tom Foley, representing the same Chicago group that bagged the Louis-Jim Braddock tilt. He had been banging away at Mike's ear ever since it became known Monday that Galento, rated the No. 1 challenger by the National Boxing Association, would get the big outdoor shot against the champion.

"We're prepared to guarantee Mike a net sum of at least $400,000," said Foley. "I'm pretty sure he will take us up on it. We'll hold it in Comiskey Park, where we can seat close to 80,000."

GETS PERCENTAGE

Also present and bidding was Herman Taylor, the Philadelphia promoter, who held a five-year lien on Galento's services and with whom Jacobs had to reach a longwinded compromise before he could pit Tony against Louis. Under the arrangement finally signed late last night, Taylor gets what he called a "nice percentage" of the June battle, as well as any other fights Galento might have under Jacobs' promotion in the next five years.

Mike seems to be levelling about taking the scrap out of New York. For one thing, he explained, if the fight is held elsewhere, Mike Jacobs is the sole promoter and pockets all profit. But in New York it would be under the promotion of the Twentieth Century Club, and Mike would have to divvy up with the rest of the boys.

The actual date, of course, will not be announced until the site is settled. But it will be at the very end of June or possibly early in July, because Max Baer and Lou Nova are fighting outdoors for Jacobs on June 10.

Galento, wearing three bathing suits for the occasion, cut up like a water sprite at to-day's reception. He even went into the water after having written fairly legibly on the sand: "Tony Galento, heavyweight champ," and predicted that he would knock Louis winding.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)

divisible—doggerel or doggrel—noli me tangere.

dobbin—nomenclature—posh

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 8th and MONDAY, 10th April, 1939, commencing at 12.30 p.m. on both days.

The First Bell will be rung at 12 NOON, and the Tiffin Interval will be after the second race (1 p.m.) on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 per day for Gentlemen and $3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 11 a.m. each day.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21020).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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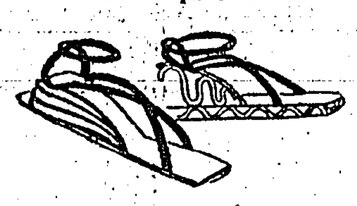
FAIRY TALE EVENING FASHIONS

PARIS.

CRINOLINES—and glass sandals. Could you imagine anything more romantic?

Yet glass sandals such an Cinderella might have envied have tripped their way into the evening fashion story. Fairy slippers they are, made of crystallite, which is unbreakable.

They are fastened to the feet with straps of silver kid, and if you don't want to slip the first time you wear them you just rub sandpaper on the soles.



☆ ★ ☆

NEWEST crinoline frocks are lovely. They're made of clouds of foamy tulle or lace or flowered crepe, and worn over petticoats of lace and chiffon.

Most of the crinoline frocks for young girls have tiny puff sleeves set in their proper place or half-way down the arms to reveal bare shoulders.

Older women have strapless decolletes or tiny shoulder straps.



Dress for the debutante in flowered crepe. The bodice is ruched, and has three matching rows of ruching of the hem.



An evening frock in two colours—fuchsia and mauve.



Evening dress in pink net with black lace apron. The blue satin bow is reminiscent of the chatelaine.

China And Glass Care

CAN you mend broken china and glass-ware? A little knowledge of this type of first-aid is very useful, and, once you have mended a cherished article successfully, you will probably get the fever, and turn out the china cupboard optimistically in search of further material.

Naturally a really bad "case" needs professional treatment, but for an ordinary breakage a home-made cement is all that is needed.

Make this by beating the white of an egg and mixing it with plaster of Paris into a smooth paste. The article should be first washed and the derelict pieces put to warm until dry.

Use a knife to spread the cement, and spread it evenly and moderately. Fix the pieces together again and wipe off any superfluous paste with a damp cloth. Then tie the china up with tape to help to keep the repaired pieces in position, and leave to harden.

Mending Breakages

If you are doctoring a piece of china which has broken in several parts, one piece at a time should be joined on and left to harden before attempting the next. A little oil paint to colour the seams and match the china would be a clever idea if you really mean to make a good job of the repair.

Delicate trifles of china can be repaired with colourless nail varnish. Brush it lightly on to the broken edges and piece together. It will be quite a strong repair and the join will be hardly noticeable.

Even the best china is liable to certain ailments—mildew, for instance. To remove this, make a paste of soft soap, starch, and a little lemon juice. Smooth the infected area with this, leave for twenty-four hours, and then remove.

When your very best china cups are on duty, always pour the milk in first. Otherwise the cup may develop a defect known as "crazing." The symptoms of this are little fine lines which are actually cracks and which play havoc with the appearance of the china.

If a cup does get attacked this way, never store it anywhere damp, as ugly dark marks are liable to appear round the tiny cracks.

Careful Storing

Remember that the best china needs careful storing. Tissue paper sandwiched in between plates and saucers will prevent scratches. If the china is stored on shelves instead of in a cupboard, wrap each pile in transparent paper. This will keep out dust, and there will be no unwrapping to get at certain pieces.

What about glassware? This, too, can be doctored at home. Alum mends glass beautifully. Melt a little in a metal spoon, and watch that the broken edges of the derelict piece are quite free from dust before applying it. Actually, repaired articles of this type can be safely washed afterwards.

Then did you know that waterglass, just as it comes from the tin, will also do the trick? Paint the waterglass on to the broken edges carefully, and leave to dry. This "convalescent" will stand ordinary light work, but no hot water for it, please!

If you panic at the thought of washing any mended glassware, clean it with methylated spirit. Use a piece of cotton wool, and for hollows and niches excavate with a very soft brush dipped in the spirit.

Madge Whitley



The hooded jacket and full circular skirt of of wide striped woollen in shades of brown with a blouse of white looped mohair make a grand outfit to wear aboard ship.

Should A Husband Tell?

A HOUSE-to-house canvass in England has revealed that many wives do not know how much their husbands earn.

As one husband who has never kept a financial secret from his wife, I am prepared to concede that there is a lot to be said for the opposite angle, and if I were starting married life anew I should keep all news of my earnings to myself.

Actually, the practice of concealing income from a wife is more common among the rich than among the poor. The wives of wealthy men rarely know to within £10,000 the amount of their husbands' incomes. There is no reason why they should. They receive an ample allowance are never short of money, and the exact amount the husband receives every year is no business of the wife.

Among the poorer classes, where the margin is very small, the husband is often forced to reveal his income in self defence as an "empty-pocket" illustration of his inability to make ends meet.

Not a Mean Trait

It is a mistake to think that husbands withhold information about their income because they are mean. Often the opposite is the case, and women who have accidentally discovered their husbands' earnings have also discovered that their housekeeping allowance was a higher proportion of the total than most women receive.

Nor does a husband's silence protect him from arguments with his wife about the amount of her allowance. The wife who does not know is far more likely to ask for more than the wife who does know. Imagination always adds a pound or so a week to the husband's presumed income.

One reason why husbands do not tell their wives is because women will talk. If a wife knows her husband's income, it is almost certain that her friends (and their husbands) know it too.

When two wives start confiding in each other, the amount of a husband's income is quite a minor secret. In many instances, husbands occupy a position in which it is undesirable for their colleagues and friends to know the amount of their earnings and as a requisite, almost a primary, step in the maintenance of this secrecy they have to withhold the information from their wives.

Little Advantage to Wives

What good does it do a wife to know the amount her husband earns? From my experience, very little. If there is any financial worrying to be done, it certainly does not help to have two people worrying over the same problem.

Wives are more easily alarmed over financial difficulties than husbands and the man has the added burden of having to pacify his wife. If there are no financial difficulties, there is nothing for either partner to worry about, and there is no reason why a wife should know what her husband's income is.

In theory it is a very fine idea to start off married life on a basis of perfect mutual confidence, share and share alike, what's mine is yours, and so on, but in practice there is no benefit gained.

Wives are better off without this interesting piece of information, although many of them do not realise it.

D. C. J.

SHORT CUTS

When adding cream or milk to mashed potatoes make sure to scald it first.

Always use freshly boiled water in making coffee. Water which has remained in a heater for any length of time becomes flat tasting and is certain to spoil an otherwise good cup of coffee.

Bride Mines Ring

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When Mrs. Katherine Allen decided that her wedding ring was not large enough to be symbolic of what marriage really meant to her, she simply went to the Bendigo gold fields and dug up enough gold to permit a jeweller to fashion her ring into what she thought it to be.

The Joys Of Middle-Age

SOMEONE has said, "To know how to grow old is the master work of wisdom, and one of the most difficult chapters in the art of living."

Many of us miss the joys of middle-age because we are so afraid of growing old. We won't talk about it and we keep on trying to keep young, and camouflage the fact that our milestones are steadily mounting up.

Yet every age has its own joys, and we can't afford to miss any of them by hanging on to the tails of the joys of a period we are done with.

Nothing is to be gained by trying to look and behave like women who are years younger than we are.

Girls have a good time nowadays, and many mothers are apt to feel a bit envious when they remember how their own precious girlhood was wasted.

If they worked for their living it was often at something intensely uninteresting. If they stayed at home they did uninteresting jobs and had very little money to spend.

Nevertheless middle age has many more pleasures than it used to have some years ago, so why spoil one's middle age by harking back to the memory of days which can never be ours again?

A Time of Happiness

Middle age should be a joyous time for married women for they are free of the worry of bringing up children. Their families are probably making their way in the world and settling down in homes of their own.

Then there is a chance to cultivate a hobby. Many women have longed for a garden all their lives, and suddenly find it is possible to have one and devote time to caring for it. And just think of the joy there is in a garden!

Perhaps while their children were young they had little time for making friends, but when the children need their care no longer they can pick up the threads of past friendships.

They are sure to find that some old friends have dropped out of their lives simply because, like themselves, they have had too much to do. And very soon they will find that they have many interests in common.

Middle age can be just as romantic and happy as youth if it is approached in the right spirit.

M. W.



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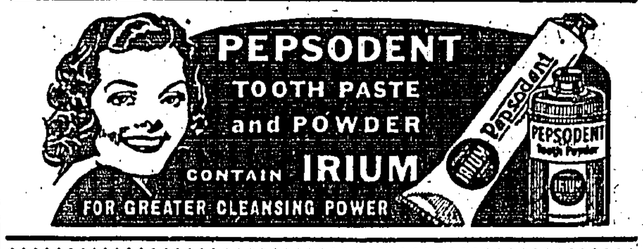
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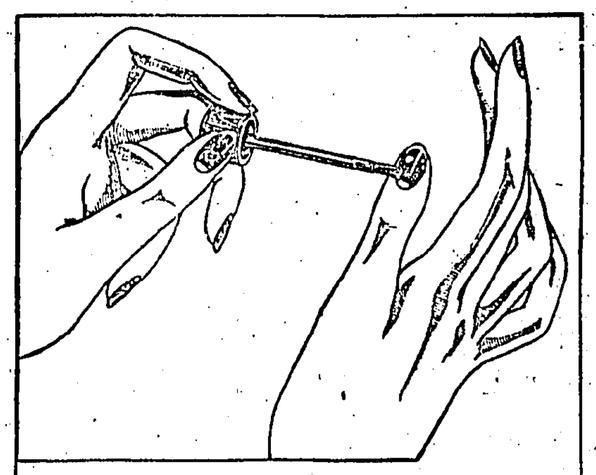
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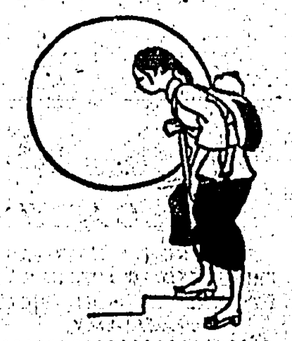
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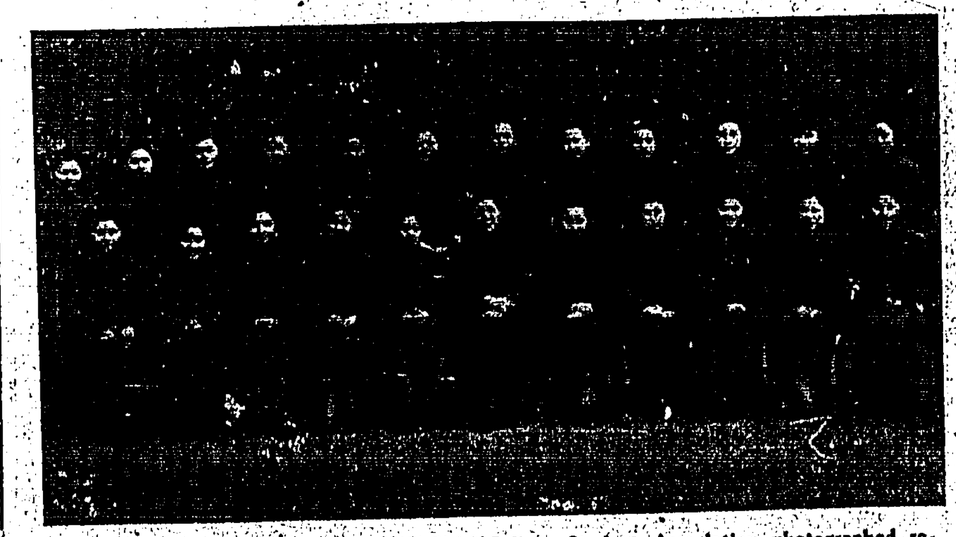
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There will be two dance bands playing on the occasion of the Society for the Protection of Children's Ball on Friday, April 14, Art Carneiro and his Boys and the Dance Band of the 1st. Bn. The Royal Scots. Also, a Cabaret has been arranged by Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

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Among the arrivals from Kobe on the Potsdam were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jurgens, who were married in Kobe last month. Mr. Jurgens is the March of Time cameraman, and after spending a few months in Hongkong, they plan to return to the United States.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Roger and their two sons will arrive here on the Antenor. Mr. Roger has been transferred from the Kobe to the Hongkong office of Butterfield and Swire. Mr. D. C. Brodie is replacing Mr. Roger in the Kobe office.

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Women are stronger than men, according to Dr. Lester F. Beck, professor of psychology at the University of Oregon. He said, "Had the Dionne quintuplets been born males instead of females, they would not have lived."

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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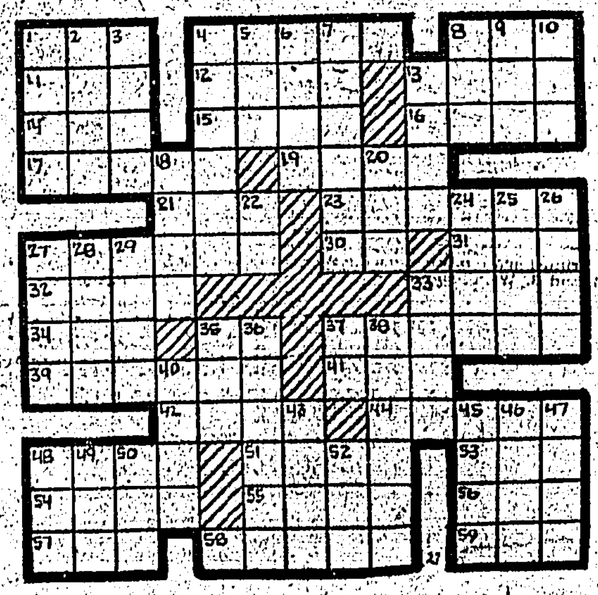
1—Unprecedented
4—Carries
8—Cattle fodder
11—Philippine negrito
12—Dinnerwire
13—At this place
14—Prefix: above
15—Persian Gulf port
16—Vases
17—Him or her (proposed)
18—Essence of flowers
21—Insect
22—Most competent
27—In opposition to
30—French article
31—Curved Burmese knife
32—Norse goddess of destiny
33—Farinaceous food
34—Hindu deities
35—Note of scale
37—Medicine-man
39—Cotton pest
41—Rocky pinnacle
42—Pewter opposite another
44—His or hers (proposed)
48—One of Sunda Isles
51—Sea of Turkestan
53—Hall
54—Solar disk
55—Outer coat
56—Go to right
57—Busy insect
58—Employment
59—Terminate

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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DOWN

1—Fashion leader of Haiti
2—Sewing basket
3—Nested
4—Pertaining to Pyrenees department
5—Olden times
6—At sea
7—Price of use
8—That girl
9—Alder-tree (Scottish)
10—Affirmative answer
13—Throw
18—Receive as wages
20—Lincoln's nickname
22—Tellurium
24—Dutch cheese
25—Ancient epic
26—He, she, or it (proposed)
27—Once more
28—European meadow mouse
29—Gaelic
34—Garment of Hindu women
35—Limb of fish
36—Places of worship
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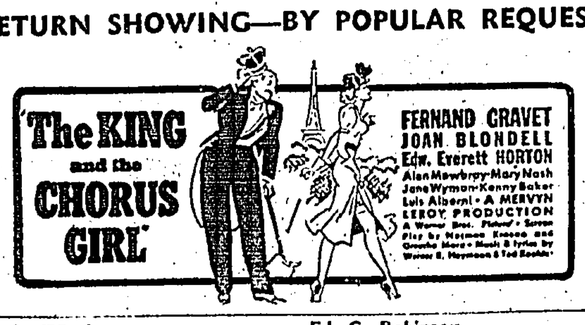
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LATE NEWS

Italian Troops In Spain

London, Apr. 4.

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China's Budget

Big Increase, But Smaller Than Japan's

Chungking, Apr. 4.

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It is said that the figures for 1937 of 2,100,000,000 and for 1938 of 2,400,000,000 yuan, as well as this year's figures, are less than half the Japanese Government budget for the respective years.—*United Press.*

LICENSING BOARD

Mr. Cassidy Wins Seat Of Unofficial Justices

Mr. P. S. Cassidy will take the seat on the Licensing Board vacated by Mr. G. S. Archbutt.

In the election yesterday, confined to the Unofficial Justices of the Peace, Mr. Cassidy received 55 votes. His opponent, Mr. C. M. Manners, received 23.

Polling took place in the Urban Council offices between 4 and 6 p.m., Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, First Police Magistrate, being the presiding officer. It was especially interesting as being the first election ever held for the Licensing Board. Hitherto there has been no competition, the seats being filled by nomination.

Out of the 160 or more Unofficial Justices of the Peace on the list, 78 exercised their privilege of voting. Some are on leave.

Of yesterday's candidates, Mr. Cassidy was nominated by Messrs F. C. Hall and W. H. Lock, while Mr. Manners was sponsored by Mr. B. Wylie and Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Junr. (Kowloon Residents' Association).

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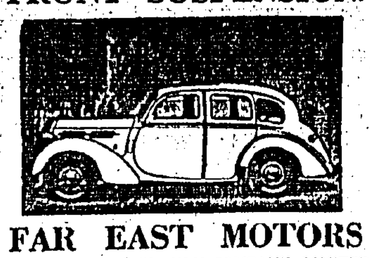
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BRITAIN'S WARNING TO MUSSOLINI

PARIS, APR. 5.

DIPLOMATIC ADVICES FROM ALBANIA REPORT THAT ITALIAN TROOPS WILL POSSIBLY LAND IN ALBANIA TO-DAY OR TO-MORROW.

The report states that the Albanians rejected the original proposals by Signor Mussolini that the country should be peacefully occupied.

Since then, however, King Zog is stated to have withdrawn his objections.—*United Press.*

BRITAIN OBJECTS

LONDON, Apr. 4.—Great Britain has indirectly warned Italy that any infringement of Albania's integrity would violate the 1938 Anglo-It lian friendship agreement.—*United Press.*

Italian Influence Not Welcome

London, Apr. 4.

It has been learned that Albania has informally notified Britain that there is no truth in the Italian rumours that King Zog asked Italy to assume Albania as a protectorate.

Albania has intimated that they will not welcome any further extension of Italian influence.—*United Press.*

"New Problems"

Rome, Apr. 5.

According to reports from political circles, King Zog of Albania has asked for the Albanian armaments to be brought up to date, in view of the "new problems created by recent events in Europe."

Mussolini, in return, is reported to have stated that he is disposed in the meantime to abrogate Article 3 of the alliance with Britain, which would enable detachments of Italy's air, land, and sea forces to move into Albania."—*United Press.*

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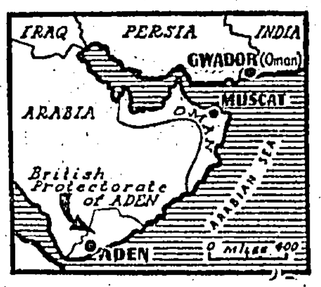
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MAPS TELL THE NEWS



DESIGN FOR WAR: With the help of Russian engineers Chiang Kai-shek has built three lines of fortifications to break the Japanese advance up the valley of the Yangtse. They make his wartime capital, Chungking, up beyond the Yangtse gorges, accessible only from the air.



GOOD NEIGHBOURS: India and Britain have signed a trade friendship and navigation treaty with Oman, key independent Sultanate in the Persian Gulf oil area. It succeeds a first treaty signed in 1891.

India sells rice to Oman, takes dates and pomegranates in return.

NAVY MANS A.A. GUNS

"Prepared For Anything"

A SENSATIONAL report is issued by "Trans-Ocean" to the effect that when a naval propaganda film was shown on board the aircraft-carrier Royal Oak yesterday evening, a large number of seats reserved for officers were vacant because they had received dramatic orders at the last moment to stand by their anti-aircraft guns "prepared for anything that might happen."

The report states that guests aboard the Royal Oak for the film performance were startled by an announcement made by Lord Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, that a number of guests could not attend because shortly before he had left the Admiralty, it had become necessary to issue an order for all anti-aircraft guns in the navy to be manned and "prepared for anything which might happen."

Lord Stanhope further declared that the navy always takes precautionary measures, and was always prepared.

At the time Lord Stanhope made this announcement, many seats which had been reserved for naval officers at the film performance were empty.

The officers were at the time manning their anti-aircraft stations.

Although the statement created a sensation among the audience, the performance continued according to schedule.

Later the Press Association inform-

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"THE ENGLISH KILLED OUR KING"

IRAQ MOURNERS ASSASSINATE BRITISH CONSUL

A SHOCKING aftermath to the news of King Ghazi's death occurred at Mosul, Iraq yesterday, when the British Consul, Mr. C. E. A. C. Monckmason, was assassinated by four men, following agitations by a crowd of mourners near the Consulate that the King of Iraq had been murdered by the British.

A "Reuter" message from Baghdad says that Mr. Monckmason died from bullet wounds. Revolvers were fired at him during a demonstration following news of King Ghazi's death.

Afterwards the British Consulate was set on fire.

Martial law was immediately proclaimed in Mosul, and order was restored a few hours later.

Agitators At Work

Official London quarters state that agitators worked up a crowd of mourners in the neighbourhood of the Consulate into a passion by declaring that King Ghazi had been murdered by the English.

Four men then allegedly fired revolver shots at the British Consul, killing him. They were later arrested and will be tried by a special court.

The Prime Minister of Iraq called on the British *Charge d'Affaires* in Baghdad during the afternoon and expressed the Iraq Government's regrets.

He added that the incident had been a terrible shock to himself.—*Reuter.*

STONED TO DEATH

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is now understood that Mr. Monckmason was stoned to death on the steps of the British Consulate at Mosul, while attempting to pacify the angry mob.—*Reuter.*

Succession Mystery

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is by no means certain, according to latest despatches from Iraq, that the four-year-old son of King Ghazi will succeed his father, who was killed to-day in a motoring accident.

The choice may fall on Emir Zeid, the youngest son of King Hussein, and the uncle of King Ghazi.

Emir Zeid, who is said to be pro-British in his political outlook, was at one time Iraq Minister to Berlin. His son was recently named as the most likely candidate for the throne of Syria in the event of the realisation of British and French plans in this direction.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Four-year-old Son To Reign

Baghdad, Apr. 4.

The successor to the late King Ghazi, who was killed in an automobile accident to-day, was proclaimed to-night to be Crown Prince Feisal, four-year-old son of the King, who was born on May 2, 1935.

The new king will reign under the name of Feisal.

Prince Abdul Ilah has been appointed Regent.

The Iraq Council of Ministers decided to place the exercise of sovereignty rights in the hands of the National Assembly until the final regulation of the terms of the Regency is known.

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Hail fell in Kunming for about ten minutes yesterday morning. The mercury dropped to 55 degrees.—*Central News.*

Another Protest To Japanese

PEIPING, Apr. 4.—For the fourth time in a fortnight the American Embassy here has protested to the Japanese authorities against the bombing of American property in China by Japanese warplanes.

The protest referred to the bombing of the American Catholic Mission at Loting on February 25, when the building was badly damaged, and Father Kennelly was wounded.—*Reuter.*

French Protest

Paris, Apr. 4.

The French Ambassador in Tokyo has been instructed to protest against the Japanese Government's intention to occupy the Spratley Islands.

The protest will be lodged on the grounds that France maintains her claims to the islands' sovereignty.—*United Press.*

JACK BENNY SENTENCED

NEW YORK, Apr. 4.—Shamefaced and flushed, Jack Benny the radio and screen star, pleaded guilty in the Federal Court to the charge of jewel smuggling.

He received a suspended sentence of a year and a day, together with a fine of $10,000.—*United Press.*

EVERYTHING STOPS FOR TEA

If ever a revolution broke out in England, it would certainly be interrupted for the tea hour, thinks Lieut.-Colonel George Vanier, new Canadian Minister to France.

He told the Canadian Club in London:—

"I have seen in Trafalgar-square meetings of protest and denunciation of all kinds. I have heard vociferous speakers at three o'clock—and seen them lose their audiences at the tea hour.

"I cannot imagine a revolution here, but if one ever did take place, I am sure any explosive used would be tea-and-tea."

U.S. TO DOUBLE ARMY AIR FLEET

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

LAUNCHING the Air Corps programme to-day, the Army Department has set an immediate objective for the delivery of the Army planes within two years.

The President yesterday signed the National Defence Bill expanding the Army Air Corps to 6,000 planes.

The Army Department said that the fastest of the new types ordered would be capable of 400 miles per hour.

The War Department's Mr. Louis Johnson has announced that contracts will be awarded for 550 combat planes immediately after the President's signature to the War Department Appropriation Bill.—*United Press.*

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U.S. Neutrality

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has announced that Mr. Henry Stimson will be the first witness called to the Committee's hearings on Wednesday when proposals for the amendment of the American Neutrality Law will be heard.

Mr. Bernard Baruch, the political economist and financier, will be called as witness on Thursday.—*United Press.*

Committee Appointed

Washington, Apr. 4.

The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee has appointed a sub-committee of seven to consider a possible amendment to the Neutrality Act.

The sub-committee will begin rehearings, and Mr. Sumner Welles, the assistant Secretary of State, is expected to be the first witness.—*Reuter.*

Hudson Back In London

Hints At Successful Tour Of Europe

LONDON, Apr. 4.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, head of the overseas department of the British Board of Trade, returned by air to London to-day from his visits to Warsaw, Moscow, Stockholm and Helsingfors.

He hurried back as soon as his business in Stockholm was concluded, in order to meet Colonel Beck before the Foreign Minister's departure from London.

In an interview with press representatives at Croydon, Mr. Hudson said that during his long journey he had conducted no political negotiations. However, it was a matter of course that in meeting leading men of the countries, he had discussed the international political situation.

Mr. Hudson said that everywhere he found keen interest in Britain's re-armament efforts, and he also referred to the industrial delegations from Finland and Sweden which would shortly be visiting England.

In this connection he was convinced the present moment was particularly appropriate for Britain to try and improve her trade relations with the Scandinavian countries.

He intimated that during the next 24 hours, details as to the success or failure of his mission would be made known to the public.—*Trans-Ocean.*

HINES ON BAIL

New York, Apr. 4.

James Hines, convicted on charges of political graft has been allowed out on bail of $35,000 pending his appeal against the verdict.—*Reuter.*

PACIFIC DEFENCES

Canadians Seek Alliances

Ottawa, Apr. 4.

THE CONSERVATIVE Member of Parliament for Vancouver, Mr. Howard Green, has advised the Canadian Government to seek immediately defence alliances between Great Britain and the United States for British possessions in the Pacific.

He described the present policy of making no military commitments as a "delusion and a snare."

He said Canada should have participated in the recent Pacific Defence Conference with New Zealand because she is partly dependent upon the Singapore base and the fleets of her sister dominions for protection in the Pacific.—*United Press.*

NEW CLASH ON BORDER

Frontier Patrols Exchange Fire

TOKYO, Apr. 4.

JAPANESE REPORT that fresh clashes have taken place on the Manchukuo - Soviet border.

Twenty-three Soviet soldiers are stated to have entered Manchukuo and fired on frontier patrols, who returned the fire.

Later Soviet troops were reported to be reinforced by about 40 soldiers with two machine guns.

After three hours of fighting the Russians were stated to have retired.

The next day the Soviet attack was reported to have resumed on a larger scale, and both sides are now said to be facing each other, and the atmosphere is described as extremely tense.

Manchukuo guards are said to have suffered casualties.—*Reuter.*

Tension Prevails

Harbin, Apr. 5.

A tense situation prevails on the Soviet-Manchoukuo frontier following a series of fresh clashes between the hostile frontier guards since last Sunday, according to dispatches from the frontier outposts.

A group of 23 Soviet troops "illegally crossed the border" into Manchoukuo territory at a point near Liuchian in Sanho District in the western part of North Hsingan Province at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday.

Subjected to unprovoked attack, the Manchoukuo patrols were forced to return the Soviet fire. The Soviet forces were immediately reinforced by about 40 additional troops with two light machine-guns.

After three hours of fighting, the Soviet forces retired into their own territory. No casualties were suffered by the Manchoukuo forces.

Monday Attack

Following Sunday's clash, about 70 Soviet troops armed with artillery

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INTERNATIONAL PEACE FRONT TO BE SET UP

LONDON, Apr. 4.

BRITAIN IS CONSIDERING a plan for strengthening the peace front by a system of strategic military consultations with other nations.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, revealed in the House of Commons to-day that the British General Staff is entering into consultations with France, Poland and other countries entering the anti-aggression bloc with the effect of creating an "international military Board of Strategy."

Mr. Hore-Belisha told Brigadier General Edward L. Spears that the Government was calling on 16,000 reservists to receive training in new weapons and tactical formations, to enable them "to meet immediate requirements in the event of emergency."

POLISH OFFER

The London developments included Britain's acceptance of the Polish Foreign Minister's offer to turn the British pledge of aid to Poland into a two-way pact designed to strengthen the anti-aggression front.

Secondly, Britain is scheduled to join in talks with Rumania in accordance with King Carol's fresh instructions regarding Britain's offer of a pledge to aid Rumania.

Thirdly, the President of the Board of Trade has announced that a British Trade Mission will proceed to Rumania within a fortnight in an effort to offset the prospect of German economic and political domination.

Fourthly, the British Secretary for War has announced that Britain is creating a new mechanised fighting corps, presumably for use on the Continent in the event of war.—*United Press.*

RECIPROCAL PACT WITH POLAND

London, Apr. 4.

Colonel Josef Beck's visit to the Foreign Office to-day lasted until lunch time.

Although particulars are as yet unavailable, it is expected that

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Dominions Official For South Africa

London, Apr. 4.

The Duke of Devonshire Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Dominion Affairs, will visit the union of South Africa, High Commission Territories, and Southern Rhodesia in the course of the next few months.

The Union Government and the Government of Southern Rhodesia have invited him to be their guest.

The Duke expects to sail for Capetown in May, and to return by air at the end of July.—*British Wireless.*

When Goering Goes Slimming

HOTEL TURNS OUT 27 JEWISH GUESTS

SAN REMO (Italy).

TWENTY-SEVEN Italian Jews staying at the Royal Hotel, San Remo, were asked to leave before the arrival on holiday of Field-Marshal Goering, his wife and a party of fifteen officers and secretaries.

Several of the Jews had been clients of the hotel for many years. They were told: "Please leave. It will avoid embarrassment to the visiting Minister and to yourselves."

Field-Marshal Goering is taking a slimming cure, so that, although he brought five limousines with him from Germany, he spends most of his time walking either along the sea front or in the hills.

Detectives are never far away. They followed him as he walked along the promenade with his actress wife. He wore a dark grey, double-breasted suit, and already looks thinner than recent photographs showed him to be.

Twice he has visited the gambling casino, but even there no one is allowed near him.

One of the staff said: "He will see no one. Any one who disturbs him will get into trouble."

Though Goering is "strictly on holiday." It is understood that Marshal Badoglio, Mussolini's chief-of-staff, will be in San Remo to see him. Count Ciano, Mussolini's son-in-law, is also expected.

The resort is a mass of colour in honour of the visit. Nazi and Fascist flags and emblems fly from every window.

Frayed Cuffs Curbed

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A new chemically treated linen has been developed to prevent the raveling of shirt collars and cuffs. The insertion is sewed between the layers of the shirt material, and in a demonstration at the Leipzig Fair it was shown to keep the cloth from fraying.

Nine Persons Live In English Village

London.

WHAT is believed to be the smallest village in England is Eldon, in Hampshire, which has a population of nine and whose oldest inhabitant is thirty-three. There are three houses. The nearest post box is four miles away. Only one wedding and one christening have ever taken place in the tiny church. Once a week a policeman cycles through the village to see that all is well, and once a day the postman rides up—if there are any letters.

Make-Up Valued At £50

THE value of make-up to a woman has been assessed by Deemster R. D. Farrant, Senior Judge of the Manx High Court, at £50.

Phyllis Winstanley, aged 24, told the Deemster that she was employed last summer by Messrs. G. N. Gore, Ltd., of Douglas, in the rolling of Isle of Man rock.

She alleged that the flour off the table gave her dermatitis and she cannot now use make-up.

Medical witnesses said she would not be able to attend dances, as chalk used on the floor for polishing would affect her skin.

Messrs. Gore, without admitting liability, offered £50, and £10 10s. costs, in settlement.

The Deemster, who had reserved his decision, approved the settlement recently.

Music Wherever He Goes—In Stockings

PIPE-MAJOR LEWIS BEATON, President of the Scottish Piping Society of London, wears a pair of stockings into the turnover of which has been knitted a complete pipe tune.

He was wearing his stockings at the seventh Annual Piping Competition of the Scottish Piping Society at the London Scottish headquarters, Buckingham Gate, recently.

"They were knitted for me by Miss Kerr, of Lairg, Sutherland," Pipe-Major Beaton said at the competition.

"The tune is 'MacCrimmon's Sweetheart,' and it is all there, the groundwork of the tune and the first and second variations.

"I could play the tune from my stockings, if I had to," he said, "but I always play from memory."

Piping enthusiasts came to London on Saturday from all over the country to hear famous performers on the "piob-mhor"—the great pipe.

Secretary for Scotland, Colonel John Colville, a competent amateur piper, was an interested member of the audience.

THE KING'S PIPERS

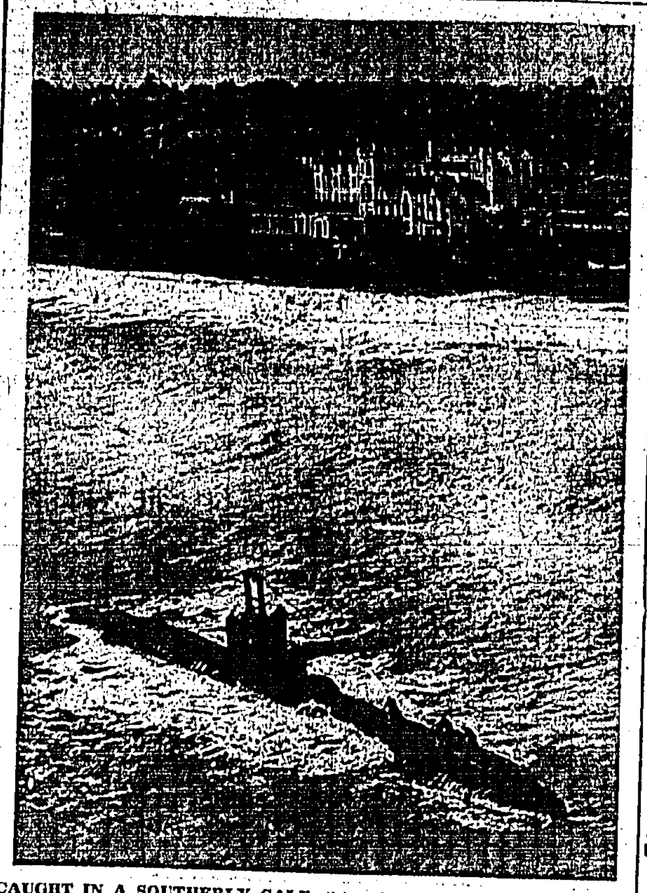
Mr. R. B. Nicol, the King's piper at Balmoral, won the Bratach Gorm, the replica of the blue banner of the MacCrimmons, and Mr. R. N. Brown, another Balmoral piper, the open competition for piobaireachd.

Real champion of the competition was Pipe-Major Robert Reid, of the Highland Light Infantry, who won the medal for the highest aggregate of points. He also won the silver star for open march, strathspey and reel.

Incongruous figures among the kilted competitors were the boy pipers of the Royal Air Force in trousers.

"We are getting our kilts at the end of the month," said an aircraftman.

"We hear they are to be Air Force blue."



CAUGHT IN A SOUTHERLY GALE, this submarine, the *Swordfish*, of the 5th Submarine Flotilla, ran aground in Sandown Bay, Isle of Wight, recently and heavy seas beat over her before she was finally re-floated just before midnight.

Some Shop-Girls Worse Off Than Zoo Animals

I am pretty healthy and used to the hot air in the House of Commons, but if I go into a bargain basement I can stay only a few minutes, because I feel I would faint.

IN such Parliamentary language a woman M.P. pictured in the House recently the conditions in which some shop assistants have to work.

She was Mrs. Hardie, the Labour member for Springburn (Glasgow), and, having worked 12 hours a day for six days a week as a shop assistant, she should know.

Drapers' shops are much too hot and grocers' too cold, according to Mrs. Hardie, who was speaking on the second reading of the Shop Hours Bill to limit hours to 48 a week and overtime to 50 hours a year.

The Bill was rejected by 135 votes to 114.

Moving the second reading Mr. Leslie (Lab., Sedgefield) said no other occupation consumed the young life of the nation to such an extent.

HAIRDRESSERS' TRIALS

An eminent doctor had said that women shop assistants suffered from varicose veins, flat feet, and all the disabling things which made life a misery. Some worked 64 and 66 hours a week.

Mr. Jagger (Lab., Clayton), seconding, said the Bill would compel the worst employers to do what the best ones were doing by common consent or trade union agreements.

Conditions in the hairdressing trade were protested against by Dr. Edith Summerskill (Lab., Fulham, W.), who said hairdressers were compelled to work sometimes for nearly 60 hours a week in ill-ventilated cubicles but were expected to discuss pleasantly the events of the day.

A BAD SHOPPER—AND WHY

"I am known as a bad shopper," she added, "because invariably I take what is given me rather than keep the suffering shop assistant. When I pay at the cash desk and see the assistants cooped up I reflected that if the Zoo had animals cooped up under such conditions for 60 hours a week we would have an action brought by the R.S.P.C.A."

The Bill was opposed from the Tory benches mainly on the ground that nothing should be done to prejudice the discussions going on between employers and employed.

The same line was taken by Mr. Lennox-Boyd (Parliamentary Secretary, Minister of Labour) who said the Government would give speedy and sympathetic consideration to a striking report which had been received from the joint conference dealing with wages, hours and conditions in the retail distributive trades.

The Bill would cut across the negotiations and report and destroy the harmony so carefully and successfully built up.

EMPIRE NEWS

IMPORT CONTROL IN NEW ZEALAND

Auckland.

Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, defended the Government's import control policy in a speech to a special conference of importers at Wellington.

Under the Government's control policy Mr. Nash said the maximum preference was given to Britain. The Government was doing everything possible to reduce difficulties to British manufacturers and others arising from the control plan.

There would be curtailment of unessential imports, Dominion manufacturers having the maximum facilities for the importation of commodities essential for their production.

The import selection would provide facilities for primary production, capital, equipment and raw materials for manufacturing goods to replace imports.

MALAYA

K.C.M.G. FOR SULTAN OF SELANGOR

Kuala Lumpur.

The High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, invested Sultan Alam Shah, of Selangor, with the insignia of the K.C.M.G. after a State banquet attended by representatives of every Malay Royal house in the Peninsula, as well as representatives of Sumatra and Borneo.

Selangor's Royal town of Klang was filled with visitors from all parts of the State during the Coronation.

The ceremony comprises lustration on a pavilion outside the palace, according to Moslem rites, then the coronation both of the Sultan and Sultana with crown and tiara.

HISTORIC GROUND

SOUTHPORT, Me.

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(Puccini.)
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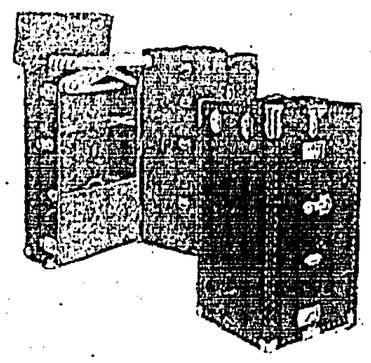
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She cancelled the contract and took the matter to Cardiff County Court.

Judge L. C. Thomas, after hearing recently, decided in her favour, and ordered Premier Silk Products (London), Ltd., to pay the costs of the case.

Said counsel for Mrs. Vestarhis: "Although it would be cheaper to pay for the stockings Mr. and Mrs. Vestarhis are determined not to allow themselves to be victims of a swindle, and are anxious to bring this method of business to public notice."

Mrs. Vestarhis said her maid brought a message that a man at the front door wished to see her.

She added: "I had no idea he had come to sell things. I thought he was a private visitor. In the room he took the stockings from his pocket and told me they were ladder-proof. He ran a pin up and down them from top to toe. They did not ladder. I gave an order for a dozen of style 22 and paid a deposit. I did not notice the salesman wrote in his book 19 instead of 22."

Dancer Beauty Murder

BEAUTIFUL Ayva Sosoyeva, a Russian dancer aged 27, who hoped to "break into" pictures and was well-known in Hollywood, died recently a few hours after she had been criminally assaulted on the College Campus of Los Angeles City.

Ayva was returning from a dramatic school where she was a student, when she staggered into the apartment of a friend named Wally Myers bleeding and distraught.

She murmured, "Someone hit me on the head."

Myers tried to ask her questions, but she collapsed at his feet and lapsed into unconsciousness.

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Lawlessness In Shanghai

LONDON,

SEVERAL questions were asked in the House of Commons recently regarding the lawless conditions prevailing in the Japanese-controlled areas round Shanghai:—

Captain Alan Graham asked the Prime Minister whether he will make strong representations to the Japanese Government on the lawless conditions prevailing and the number of bad characters at large in the Japanese-controlled areas surrounding the International Settlement of Shanghai and of the consequent danger to British subjects in these areas?

Sir John Haslam asked the Prime Minister whether he is aware that increasing numbers of gambling dens are springing up in the Japanese-controlled area immediately surrounding the foreign settlements of Shanghai; that many of these dens are run under the guidance and protection of the Japanese army special service section; that all law and order in their neighbourhood is gravely prejudiced; and whether he will make immediate representations to the Japanese Government for the suppression of these gambling dens and the restoration of law and order?

Mr. Butler: My Noble Friend is aware of the unsatisfactory conditions prevailing in the western area at Shanghai, and the matter has been brought to the attention of the local Japanese authorities and to that of the Japanese Government.

Sir J. Wardlaw-Milne asked the Prime Minister whether his attention has been called to the demands now being made by the Japanese Government upon the Municipal Council of Shanghai; whether he is aware that some roads running out of the Settlement, although made on land bought by the council, are actually patrolled by the Chinese administration set up by the Japanese authorities; that further areas, in which outrages are said to have occurred, are entirely under the control of that Government and outside the area in which the council exercise authority; whether he has information to show that the incidents referred to by the Japanese Government took place in areas which are under the direct control of the council; and whether the Government will support the municipal council in resisting any alteration of their constitution?

Mr. Butler: Yes, Sir. My noble Friend understands that the Japanese authorities have put forward certain suggestions to the Shanghai Municipal Council for the more effective maintenance of law and order at Shanghai, and these suggestions are now under consideration by the council. His Majesty's Government are continuing to watch the situation closely and are at all times prepared to afford to the council such advice and support as may from time to time be possible. The extra Settlement roads inside the defence perimeter are policed by the Shanghai Municipal Council. Certain of these roads, however, surround enclaves which are under the control of the local Chinese municipal administration, and it was in one of these areas that a high official of the Nanking Reform Government was assassinated on 19th February. One other recent outrage took place within the International Settlement itself.

Sir J. Wardlaw-Milne: Is my right hon. Friend aware that most of the incidents have taken place outside the boundaries of the area of the municipal authority in Shanghai; and will he pay particular attention to the last part of my question as to assisting the council to resist any increase in Japanese membership—at least if sought to be brought about by threats?

Mr. Butler: I said in my answer that we are always prepared to afford the council such advice and support as may be possible.

Mr. Gallacher: Is it not the case that it is Japan which is destroying law and order in China at present?

Statue Upsets A Suburb

RESIDENTS of Downshire-hill, Hampstead, N.W., are upset by a statue of a nude female figure which has been erected outside the home of Mr. Roland Penrose, the Surrealist.

They call it "a deformity in stone," and say that it makes them nervous. It represents a "mother and child."

It is the work of Henry Moore, sculptor, who has been called the "second Epstein," and its name is "Abstract."

"SERENITY DISTURBED"

Mounted on a block of marble, it stands about 6ft. high and has as background a bright red door.

Some residents say they have spent 30 years of their lives peacefully in Downshire-hill — and now their serenity of mind has been disturbed.

"The statue spoils the whole tone of the neighbourhood," a neighbour said. "Comments of passers-by are amazing."

Mr. Moore isn't worried about all the things people are calling his statues. And Mr. Penrose isn't worried either—he's away in Egypt.



Her Majesty the Queen in conversation with one of the unemployed undergoing a twelve-week course of training at the Ministry of Labour's Gateshead centre. This picture was taken on the second day of the arduous Royal tour, which started with the launching of the New battleship, *King George V*, from the Walker naval yard.

German Economic Gains In Tanganyika

DURBAN, South Africa.—Germany is already "invading" Tanganyika, a special investigator of The Natal Daily News, who has been studying conditions in the big mandated section of East Africa, claims.

The investigator said his survey disclosed that selected German settlers are sent to Tanganyika aboard a German ship with financial backing from Berlin. On arrival they are lodged in a German-owned hotel and, under the guidance of an older German settler, are placed on the land.

When the new settler's crops come to fruition, he can sell at a higher price than can be obtained by any other settler on the world market. If the local price for coffee is $150 a ton, the German planter can get $250 a ton through the German subsidy system. This, in turn, enables him to pay a higher price for native labour on his estate, with consequent subtle propaganda effect.

THROUGH GERMAN HANDS

A feature of the position is that, except for use of the Kenya and Uganda or Tanganyika railways, the Germans are an entirely self-supporting community in that they import and export, buy and sell, entirely through German hands.

Close watch is kept on every individual member of the community to make sure that he deals entirely through German channels, with a disciplinary code for dealing with transgressors. By weight of numbers and organization, a boycott of all but German goods is effected.

"I found there was still a little surreptitious trading with British stores by Germans, for all Germans are not Nazis in Tanganyika, but in cases where this was done there was a great deal of secrecy, for the buyer was in no little fear that his 'crime' would be detected," said the correspondent.

The German economic penetration has become so efficient that it is not uncommon to find towns where even vital transport necessities, such as petrol, are controlled by German firms.

Not that there is anything aggressive in the German attitude, to which the British community has made no determined reply. The Germans are law-abiding and keep very much to themselves.

Germany's increasing trade with Tanganyika, it is revealed in a recent report, has been fostered by an advantageous system of barter, enabling Berlin to solve her foreign exchange difficulties, obtain a market for her manufactured goods and procure supplies of raw materials. Such trading has caused the British authorities some anxiety.

Thanks to barter and subsidy, the visible balance of trade with British East African territories for the period of 1932-37 was heavily in favour of Germany.

JAPANESE INTEREST

One complication in the destiny of Tanganyika, which is ostensibly a question between Germany and Britain, is Japan's trading interest.

This economic background to a seemingly political question is provided by the Congo Basin Treaties, under which Japan is securing a stranglehold on Central African trade.

"Britain and Germany may be rivals for the political control of Tanganyika, but both are common rivals of Japan in the trade field," says The Natal Daily News.

"There is a great deal to be said for the view that, if Tanganyika were removed from British political control, at least two of the bearings of the Berlin-Rome-Tokio axis would not function quite smoothly as they appear to do now."

FREEDOM OF TRADE

Kenya, Uganda and Tanganyika all fall within the limits of the Congo Basin Area as defined by the Berlin Act of 1885 signed by the United States, Belgium, Britain, France, Italy, Japan and Portugal. Under this all signatory nations enjoy complete freedom of trade in the area.

"If the territory were given to Germany, any variation of the treaties would scarcely lead to the more harmonious working of the Far Eastern end of the 'axis,'" the newspaper concludes. "Under British mandate, as at present, Tanganyika is a "Tom Tiddler's ground' for the world. It is that rate bird—a free market.

"Perhaps this fact will influence any discussion which may take place on the future of Tanganyika."

"Joint Naval Action"

By Democracies

New York.

JOINT naval action by the United States in the event of aggression by the "Fascist Powers" on Britain or France is advocated by Mr. Henry Stimson former Secretary of State, in a letter to the "New York Times" recently. In his letter Mr. Stimson writes:

We cannot ignore the fact that at almost any moment an armed attack may be aimed by a Fascist group of Powers against the vital safety of one of the two peace-loving nations upon which rests, in large part, the safety of our civilisation—Great Britain or France. Such an attack would almost inevitably involve both of those nations, and from present appearances would be co-operated in by all three of the Fascist Powers. In that event only one course could be depended on ultimately to save the present hard-earned civilisation upon which our own national welfare rests.

To-day the aggressive group is more powerful in the air and on the land than even France and Britain combined, and it is probably sufficiently strong at sea to pin down the British and French fleets in European waters, leaving exposed to the powerful Japanese fleet the whole Western Pacific Ocean, including the English-speaking Dominions of Australia and New Zealand and even Western Canada, as well as the naval base of Singapore, which is the key to the protection of those regions.

Defence against such joint action in Europe and Asia by the Fascist Powers can only securely be accomplished by the common action of the naval power of the three large democracies, including the United States. Should any one of these three nations attempt to remain isolated the result would bid fair to be an ultimate disaster to them all; on the other hand, the conviction on the part of the Fascist Powers that such common action was in contemplation would be most potent to prevent attack altogether.

The "New York Times" in a leading article approves the policy suggested by Mr. Stimson, and writes, "Such a policy for the United States does not require alliances abroad; it requires consultation with the other law-abiding nations on the tactics of self-defence."

HELP FOR DEMOCRACIES?

WASHINGTON.

A speech interpreted as favouring American assistance for the democracies against a coalition of totalitarian Powers has been made here by Mr. Berle, Assistant Secretary of State.

"If a group of nations," he said, "chooses to adopt a policy which compels America to take defensive measures we are fairly entitled to consider whether the defence of our institutions may not require assistance in one form or another to those nations which, like ourselves, desire to keep the peace."

The United States Senate has approved a proposal to increase the aircraft strength of the Army Air Corps to 6,000 'planes. The House of Representatives had previously approved a limit of 5,500 'planes. The vote was by 54 to 28.

Pie Peddler Pied In Court

EL CENTRO, Cal.

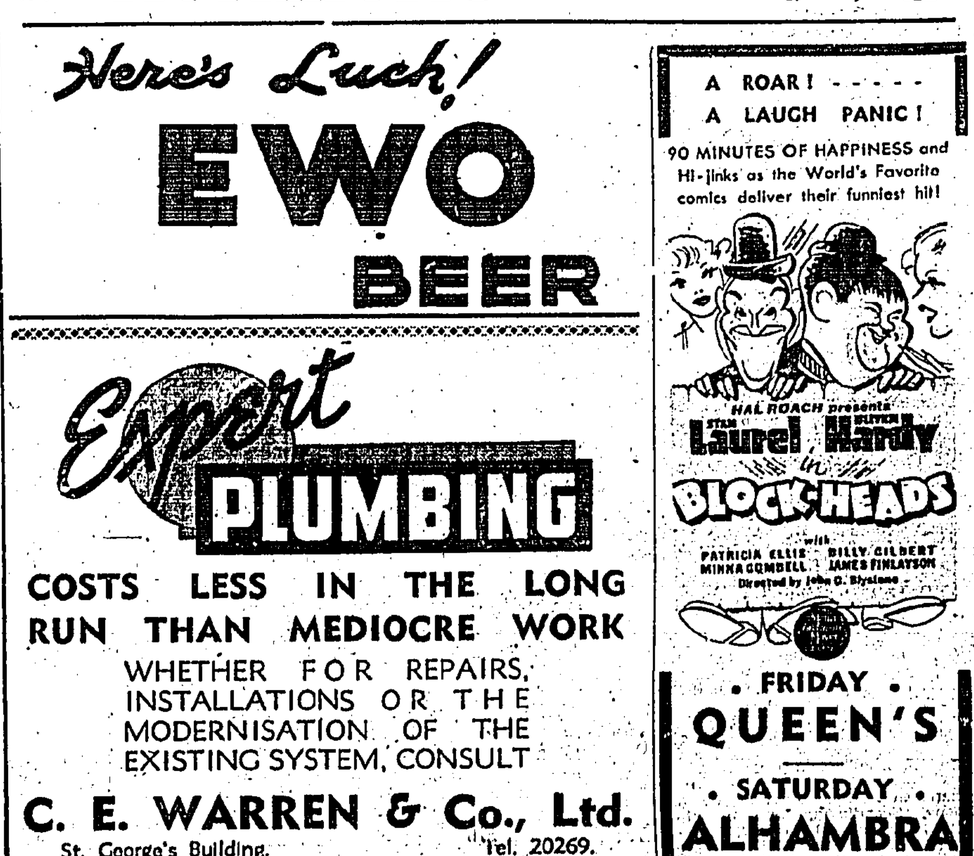
A charge of driving a pie wagon pie-eyed constituted a complexity in the administration of traffic laws that Judge John E. Simpson decided that the pie peddler should have the benefit of a higher court for trial and he was bound over to the Superior court.



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INTERNATIONAL PEACE FRONT TO BE SET UP

(Continued from Page 1.)

Colonel Beck intimated that Poland would consider it a moral obligation to make the guarantee reciprocal.

The Jewish emigration question was very likely raised by Colonel Beck so that Jews could be covered by the evacuation scheme as was being worked out for Germany.

After lunching with Viscount and Lady Halifax, Colonel Beck was due to see Chamberlain in the House of Commons at 5 o'clock to-day.

Talks at the Foreign Office were attended on the British side by Viscount Halifax, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Mr. Orme, Mr. Sargent and Mr. William Strange, and for the Poles by Colonel Beck, the Ambassador, Count Raczynski, and M. Potocki of the Polish Foreign Office.

Quite Satisfactory

"Quite satisfactory progress" is the description in official circles of the Anglo-Polish conversations which lasted most of the day, and which will be resumed to-morrow.

Colonel Beck, accompanied by the Polish Ambassador, had a conversation this morning with Viscount Halifax and Foreign Office officials.

Viscount Halifax entertained Colonel Beck to lunch, the guests including the Duke and Duchess of Kent, Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Anthony Eden.

Afterwards, Colonel Beck had nearly two hours in conversation with Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax at the House of Commons.

Official reticence is maintained regarding the nature of the discussions. "The safety curtain has been dropped, and will not be lifted between acts," it is explained in authoritative quarters.—*Reuter.*

Anglo-French Talks

London, Apr. 4.

Closer co-operation between the British and French air forces was the subject of the conversations which the French Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre had to-day with Sir Kingsley Wood and a number of high officials of the British Air Ministry.

It is believed they discussed points of policy regarding the despatch of an expeditionary force to France in the event of war, as well as arrangements for an interchange of air force designs in order to facilitate manufacture in both countries.

One type concerned is reported to be the famous Merlin aircraft engine for the supermarine Spitfire fighter, and a certain type of French gun.

This evening, M. Lachambre visited the Handley-Page factory at Cricklewood.—*Reuter.*

Soviet Pessimistic

Moscow, Apr. 4.

The "Journal de Moscow," the French language weekly which often reflects the Soviet Foreign Office's views, published a pessimistic editorial on the European situation to-day.

It said partial measures such as Mr. Chamberlain's statement cannot foster peace.

The "Journal" urges general measures for collective security and declares that all small countries in Europe, Scandinavia and on the Baltic are menaced by aggression and are sceptical of the position of Poland.

It says Poland sought a common Hungarian front, in reality lengthening the border with Germany. Poland was aligned with the Axis during the September crisis and the Chamberlain declaration does not assure co-operation to Poland herself in collective security unless Poland's foreign policy is radically changed.—*United Press.*

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transactions of Public Business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 7th, 8th, and 10th. April, 1939.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. Y. TANG,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

H.M. DOCKYARD, HONG KONG.

Examination for Local Clerks

Applicants are informed that those selected to attend the examination on 11th April will be notified separately.

No further applications can be considered.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN.

What to do to help a child

Anyone knowing of a child who has been assaulted, neglected, or ill-treated in a manner likely to cause unnecessary suffering or injury to health, or knowing of a parent who is seeking advice on any matter concerning a child, would be doing an act of kindness by communicating at once with—

The Hon. Secretaries, H.K.S.P.C. The Old City Hall, Queen's Road C., Hongkong, or the Inspector, 49, Pokfulam Road, 1st floor; or the Inspector, Violet Peel Health Centre, Wanchai; or the Inspector, 12, Sai Yeung Choi Street, 1st floor, Kowloon.

All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

"REUTER" REPORT ATTACKED

Rome, Apr. 4.

"Reports published abroad about the situation and relations between Italy and Albania are tendencious and unfounded" declares a Bari broadcast which is reported in the "Gazetta del Mezzogiorno," which says that at the explicit request of the King of Albania, conversations are progressing for the reinforcement of the defensive alliance between the two countries.

The announcement says that it is not the intention of the Italian Government to make an attempt against the independence and integrity of Albania.

The move is regarded here as a counter measure to the British soundings of Greece and Yugo-Slavia with regard to the projected anti-aggression front.

It is felt that Italy, by occupying Albania, might wish to impress on them the need of maintaining good relations with the Rome-Berlin axis and of leaving Italy secure in the Adriatic.

Italian occupation of Albania would, apparently, unfavourably impress Yugo-Slavia, where German occupation of the Czech provinces is said to have caused a wave of pan-Slav feeling, which turned many people's thoughts towards the British anti-aggression plan.—*Reuter.*

HITLER RETURNS

Berlin, Apr. 4.

Herr Hitler to-day returned to Berlin from his week-end spent at sea.

It is understood that he will be spending 12 hours in Berlin before proceeding to Berchtesgaden.—*Reuter.*

Slovak-Reich Talks

Pressburg, Apr. 4.

Dr. Tiso, the Slovak Prime Minister, and Dr. Durcansky, the Foreign Minister, left for Berlin to-day.—*Trans-Ocean.*

LONDON, Apr. 4.—The Yankee Clipper completed its South-Atlantic survey flight to-day when it arrived at Southampton this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: Technical indications of a rally are imminent. We favour Douglas Aircraft, International Harvester, Bethlehem Steel, New York Central, Montgomery Ward, U.S. Rubber and Eastman Kodak shares for a quick turn. Some traders think that the selling side of the market is becoming too bullish.

Many good first-quarter earnings' reports will be out shortly.

The Federal Court has set a precedent in labour history by assessing Union damages incurred in a sit-down strike.

EARNINGS: The earnings of the American Smelting and Refining Company for January and February are over the corresponding months of last year and an increased dividend is likely. The National City Bank's first-quarter earnings totalled $0.53, while the Bankers' Trust earned $0.61. Reynolds Tobacco Company's 1939 earnings are slightly above those for 1938.

WHEAT: It is reported that the Rumanian Government will reduce the wheat export subsidy by 5 cents per bushel. We think that the market looks oversold. Private experts forecast a Winter crop of 539,000,000 bushels.

COPPER: The American Smelting and Refining Company has reduced the domestic price by 1/2 cent to 10 3/4 cents per lb.

LONDON AVERAGES:

	APRIL 3	APRIL 4
Industrial Average	97.8	97.2
Rails Average	55.1	54.8

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **Tuesday**, the **11th** day of **April, 1939**, at **3 p.m.**, at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet.	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4132.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 2935 & 4043, Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	as per sale plan.				About 9,660	$110	$7,235

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4133.	Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road & Kwangsi St., Ma Tau Chung.	As per sale plan.				About 4,050	$46	$3,023

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4134.	Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3475, Bedford Rd. Tai Kok Tsui	As per sale plan.				About 7,200	$132	$14,400

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
4	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4136.	Junction of Tai Tai St. & Ma Tau Kok Road, Ma Tau Kok.	as per sale plan.				About 8,450	$96	$6,323

Franco And The Nazi Front

BERLIN, Apr. 4.—An official announcement of Spain's adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact is imminent, according to a statement by well-informed quarters to-day.

At the same time, the text of the treaty signed at Burgos between General Franco and the German and Italian Ambassadors will be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SPANISH DEMOBILISATION

BURGOS, Apr. 4.—An official bulletin was issued to-day, decreeing the demobilising and demilitarisation of the war ministries within 90 days.—*United Press.*

Italian Troops In Spain

London, Apr. 4.

Authoritative quarters declared to-day that reports printed in several English papers about recent despatches of Italian troops to Spain cannot be confirmed.

In accordance with the reply given by Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons on Monday, the British Government was of the opinion that there was no reason to assume that Italy would not comply with the provisions of the Anglo-Italian agreement, or that Italy would refuse to withdraw troops from Spain on conclusion of hostilities in that country.

So far, the English and Italian governments had not discussed the question as to what date the hostilities might be considered as definitely concluded.—*Trans-Ocean.*

LOAN TO A DOCTOR

Partly Repaid Through Professional Services

An action brought by Chan Shiu-tuen, a woman, against Li Tin-sang, Chinese medical practitioner, claiming the return of $300, alleged to have been lent to Li on May 5, 1938, was heard by Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, at the Summary Court yesterday.

Mr. H. L. Kwan appeared for plaintiff, who is at present in America; and Mr. Chan Pun-tuen, who had plaintiff's power of attorney, was in Court. Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau was for the defence.

Mr. Lau asked His Lordship to adjourn the case until the plaintiff's return to the Colony. His client had acknowledged the debt in his letters to the plaintiff, who had the assurance that the money could be paid back at any time.

When Mr. Kwan tendered an acknowledgement of the debt by the defendant to the Court, his Lorship said that it was not properly stamped. Mr. Kwan consented to a fine of $50, and the case was allowed to proceed.

The defence claimed that $25 had been paid back to the plaintiff, and $172.40 was repaid in professional services rendered.

Li in evidence said that he had been practising in Canton for about ten years. He had attended the plaintiff in Canton and in Hongkong. He charged her $10 a visit.

When questioned by his Lordship as to what services he performed during his visits to the plaintiff, Li replied that he felt her pulse and asked her questions.

After both counsel had made their submissions, His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for $275, with costs.

Appointments To Royal Household

London, Apr. 4.

The King has approved the appointment of Captain Charles Waterhouse, M.P. to be Treasurer of His Majesty's Household in place of Captain the Honourable Arthur Hope, Governor-Designate of Madras, and of Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Kerr, M.P. to be Comptroller of His Majesty's Household, and of Major Sir James Edmondson M.P. to be a Lord Commssioner of the Treasury.—*British Wireless.*

16,000 Reserves For Training

London, Apr. 4.

In the House of Commons, the War Secretary stated that about 16,000 army reservists would be called up for training in the course of the present year.—*British Wireless.*

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNING

London, Apr. 4.

The Premier to-day announced that Parliament would adjourn on April 6, and would re-assemble on the 18th.

Provision would be made to call the House together earlier if circumstances required.—*Reuter.*

The P. & O. liner Alipore left Moji yesterday and is due here on April 9 at about 8 a.m.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

POST OFFICE.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

During the Easter Holidays the General Post Office and Kowloon Post Office will be open 8 a.m. until noon on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The Sheungwan Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on those days.

All other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays. There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes each day as on Sundays, and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m.

The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long will also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m.

MAIL FOR CANTON

Registered and Ordinary mail and Parcels (not Insured) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

VIA SIBERIA ROUTE

Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS

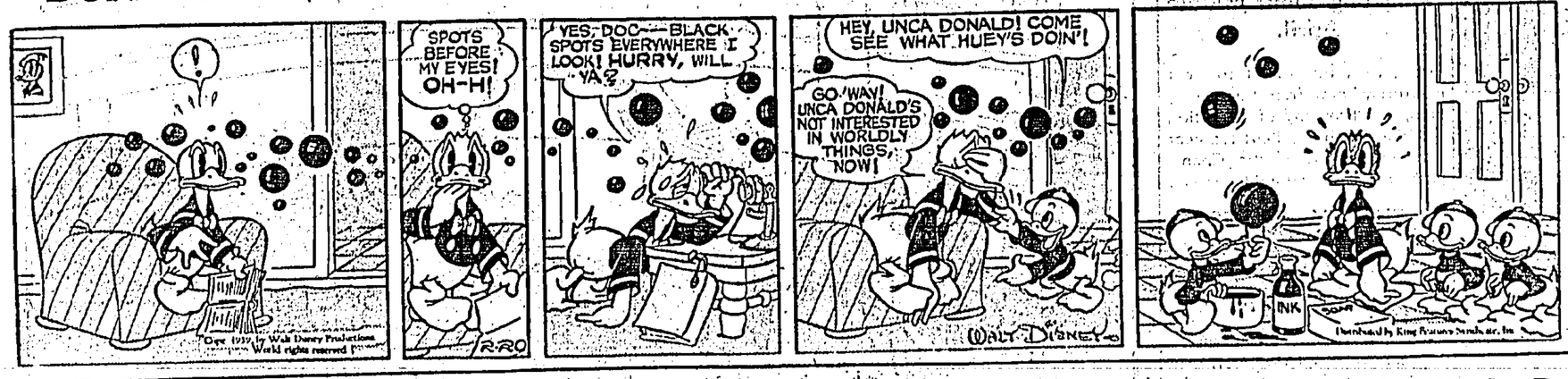
From	Per	Due.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 29th March.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**April 5.**
Shanghai and Swatow	Kaying	April 5.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Kiangsu	April 5.
Japan	London Maru	April 5.
Australia and Manila	Nellore	April 5.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 29th March	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**April 5.**
Japan	Shirala	April 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Antenor	April 6.
Chuanchow	Shantung	April 6.
Japan	Anyo Maru	April 7.
Haiphong	Canton	April 7.
Shanghai	Conte Verde	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Husimi Maru	April 7.
Haiphong	Kwangtung	April 7.
Manila	Nagara Maru	April 7.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date, 18th March).	Emp. of Canada	April 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 1st April.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**April 8.**
Japan	Alipore	April 9.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	April 9.
Straits	Telresias	April 10.
Australia and Manila	Changte	April 11.
Shanghai	Glenbeg	April 11.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Wednesday		
Haiphong	Mingsang	Wed., April 5, 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Wed., Apr. 5, 2 p.m.
Mombasa, Beira, Lourenco Marques, (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	London Maru	Wed, Apr. 5, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow and Foochow	Haitan	Wed., April 5, 3 p.m.
Amoy and Shanghai	Tsinan	Wed., Apr. 5, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" —due San Francisco, 12th April.	**Pan American Airways Plane K.P.O.**	**Wed., Apr. 5.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 5, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg., K.P.O.	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 7.30 a.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Muihaek	Wed., April 5, 7 p.m.
Thursday		
Swatow	Kweiyang	Thurs., Apr. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 11th May.	Antenor G. P. O. and K. P. O.	Thurs., April 6.
	Parcels	April 6, 1 p.m.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Boissevain	Thurs., April 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th April	**Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O.**	**Thurs., April 6.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord., G.P.O.	April 6, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 15th April	**Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O.**	**Thurs., April 6.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord., G.P.O.	April 6, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.,	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	April 6, 7 p.m.
Swatow	Yatshing	Thurs., April 6, 7 p.m.
Friday		
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 20th April.	**Husimi Maru G.P.O. and K.P.O.**	**Fri., April 7.**
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, 11 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, 11.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles,—due Marseilles, 7th April.	Husimi Maru G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Fri., Apr. 7.
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, 11.15 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, Noon.
Manila and Brindisi—due Brindisi, 30th April.	Conte Verde	Fri., Apr. 7, Noon.
Swatow	Klangsu	Fri., Apr. 7, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service."	**Air France Plane K.P.O.**	**Fri., Apr. 7.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	Apr. 7, Noon.
	Ord., G.P.O.	Apr. 7, Noon.
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, Noon
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, 5 p.m
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and papers for Calcutta).	Shirala	Fri., April 7.
	Parcels	April 7, Noon.
	Papers	April 8, 9 a.m.
Saturday		
Dairen	Ixion	Sat., April 8, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and (Papers only for Canada) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 20th April.	Pres. Coolidge G.P.O. and K.P.O.	Sat., Apr. 8.
	Parcels,	Apr. 8, 10 a.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 8, 11.15 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 8, Noon.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Knying	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Shanghai and Japan	Nellore	Sat., April 8, Noon.
Amoy	Van Heutsz	Sat., April 8, Noon.
Sunday		
Swatow and Foochow	Hupeh	Sun., Apr. 9, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Mon., April 10.
	Parcels,	April 10, 11 a.m.
	Papers	April 10, Noon.
Swatow	Kwangtung	Sat., Apr. 10, Noon.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 17th April	**Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O.**	**Mon., April 10.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord., G.P.O.	Apr. 10, noon.
	Reg.,	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.,	Apr. 10, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 17th April	**Imperial Airways Plane K.P.O.**	**Mon., April 10.**
	Reg., G.P.O.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord., G.P.O.	Apr. 10, 1 p.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.,	Apr. 10, 1 p.m.

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RADICAL CHANGES IN ARMY DESIGNATIONS

LONDON, Apr. 4.

MR. LESLIE HORE-BELISHA announced in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the fact that all regiments of cavalry of the line were being re-equipped with armoured vehicles, with the exception of the Royal Dragoons, the Royal Scots, and the Greys, it had been decided to associate the 18 mechanised regular cavalry regiments and the regular and territorial units of the Royal Tank Corps in a new Corps.

The new Corps will be known as the Royal Armoured Corps, and will take precedence immediately before the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Cavalry regiments would retain their existing designation, and the Royal Tank Corps would be redesignated the Royal Tank Regiment.

All units would retain their badges and uniforms.

Foreign Legion?

Mr. Hore-Belisha also informed the House that applications to join the British army from foreign nationals would, in suitable cases, be considered, more particularly if the applicants had had previous military training, and could speak English.

Asked whether Viscount Gort would pay a visit to Warsaw and Moscow, Mr. Hore-Belisha said he had no statement to make at the present on any further visits to foreign countries.

Asked whether it was not desirable that conversations should not take place with new allies as they came into line, Mr. Hore-Belisha replied: "Yes, everything is under consideration."—Reuter.

U.S. Cotton Offer Rejected

London, Apr. 4.

It is learned that the Lancashire Cotton Corporation has declined a huge offer of American cotton.

It is understood that the offer was in the region of 750,000 bales, to be spread over three years, and which is valued at over £6,000,000.

Representatives of the Corporation stated that the Corporation had been approached with the object of buying a substantial amount of cotton at advantageous terms, but the offer had been turned down in the best interests of the industry, as it would have demoralised the whole marchanting system of the country.—Reuter.

Lebrun May Be Re-elected

Paris, Apr. 4.

President Leburn, who has been persuaded to put his name forward again for the Presidency at the election on Wednesday, is likely to have only one opponent, since the former President of the Chamber, Mr. Bouisson, has withdrawn, leaving only Senator Julsin Godard.

It is possible that Senator Godard will also make a last-minute withdrawal.—Trans-Ocean.

Assassination In Jerusalem

British Troops Search For Culprits

JERUSALEM, Apr. 4.

THE MILITARY authorities are searching the northern quarters in Jerusalem, in an attempt to locate the assailant of the British official of the Palestine Archaeological Museum, who was shot and wounded outside his house to-day.

All Arab traffic has been prohibited from entering or leaving the city.

Thirty-five suspects have been detained, and the curfew has been imposed in that quarter.—Reuter.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday says:

Buyers were more in evidence, and in several instances advanced their prices, but not sufficiently to attract many sellers, with the result that business was still on a restricted scale. The market closed with a firmer tone.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1,385
Canton-Insurances $220
Union Insurances $465
H.K. Wharves $103
H.K. Docks $16¼
Providents $4¾
H.K. Hotels $3.55
H.K. Lands $33½
China Lights (Old) $8¼
China Lights (New) $5.35
Dairy Farms (Ex. Rts.) $21.60
Dairy Farms (Rights) $15½
Watsons $7¾
Entertainments $6.40
Govt. 5% Loan 4% Prem.
Govt. 3½% Loan 1% Prem.

Sellers

H.K. Wharves $100
Providents $5
H.K. Hotels $5.70
H.K. Trams $16½
Electrics $57
Watsons $8.05

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1,395
Union Insurances $460/467½
H.K. Lands $34
H.K. Trams $16.35
China Lights (Old) $8.30
Watsons $7¾
Govt. 4% Loan 4% Prem.
Antamoks Ps. .38
Atoks .14
Benguet Consols 12.00
Coco Groves .38
Demonstrations .14½
I. X. L. .57
Itogons .27
North Camarines .57
San Mauricio 1.90
Suyoc Consol .17½
United Paracales .60

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JAPANESE FORTIFY WOOSUNG

SHANGHAI, Apr. 4.

CHINESE REPORTS here state that the Japanese authorities are proceeding with plans for huge fortifications in the Woosung areas.

They say large quantities of materials have already been shipped to Woosung which will take at least three months to complete at a cost of more than 3,000,000 yuan.

Foreign observers here have linked this report with similar rumours during past months.

However, no signs of construction being in progress have been seen at Woosung by ship travellers.

It has also been pointed out that the fortifications could not be very powerful if only a few months were necessary for their construction.

Attention is also drawn to the low cost making first class fortification impossible.—*United Press.*

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks $.....1,395 sa.
H.K. Banks Lon. £.....64½ n.
Chartered £.....8⅝ n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.....27 n.
Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
East Asia $.....80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton $.....220 b.
Unions $.....460/67½ sa.
China Underwriter $.....1½ n.
H.K. Fire $.....183 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas $.....68 n.
Steamboats $.....13 n.
Indo-Chinas, P. $.....60 n.
Indo-Chinas, D$.....24 n.
Shell Bearers s/-.....62/6 n.
Waterboats $.....9 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves $.....109 s.
Docks $.....16 b.
Providents $.....5 n.
New Eng. Sh. $.....6.70 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh. $.....101½ n.

MINING

Kailan s/-.....17/6 n.
Raubs $.....8 n.
Venz: Goldfield $.....3 n.
Hongkong Mines cts.....4 n.
Antamoks Ps.....38 sa.
Atoks Ps.....34 sa.
Benin Gold Ps.....
Benguet Cons. Ps.....1200 sa.
Coco Grove Ps.....38 sa.
Demonstrations Ps.....14½ sa.
I.X.L. Ps.....57 sa.
Itogons Ps.....27 sa.
Camarines Ps.....57 sa.
San Mauricio Ps.....1.90 sa.
Suyoc Consul Ps.....17½ sa.
Paracales Ps.....60 sa.

LANDS

Hotels $.....5½ b.
Lands $.....34 sa.
Lands 4% deb. $.....104 n.
S'hai Lands Sh.$.....6.80 n.
Humphreys $.....8.55 n.
H.K. Realties $.....4.40 n.
Chinese Estates $.....102 n.

UTILITIES

Trams $.....19.35 sa.
Peak Trams (old).....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) $.....4 n.
Star Ferries $.....67½ n.
Y. Ferries (old) $.....24½ n.
Y. Ferries (new) $.....24 n.
China Lights (old) $.....8.30 sa.
China Lights (new) $.....5.35 b.
H.K. Electrics $.....57 n.
Macao Electrics $.....18¼ n.
Sandakan Lights $.....12 n.
Telephones (old) $.....23 n.
Telephones (new) $.....7¼ n.
Tractions s/-.....22/- n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-.....22/6 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (ord.). Sh. $.....14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pre.). Sh. $.....13 n.
Canton Ices $.....1 n.
Cements $.....13¼ n.
H.K. Ropes $.....3.60 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (ex. rts.).....21.60 b.
Dairy Farms. (rts.) fl.....15½ n.
Watsons $.....7¾ sa.
Lane Crawfords $.....8 n.
Sinceres $.....1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) $.....42 n.
Powell, Ltd. cts.....90 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. $.....20.20 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh. $.....105 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh. $.....30 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $.....40 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainment $.....6.40 b.
Constructions, $.....1¾ n.
Vibro Piling $.....6.30 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925
C & S Bonds.....66% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prm. sn. b.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3½% ⅛% prm. n.
Marsmans (Lond.) s/-.....13/3 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-.....5/- n.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1889.

Miss Amy Sherwin's Company gave another most successful performance of "The Daughter of the Regiment" at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, last night to a large audience. To-morrow night "Faust" is announced, when a number of popular local amateurs will appear.

25 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1914.

Both morally and materially the German sailor is far better off than the German soldier. Morally, because of the comradely, free, unmilitary tone which exists in the Fleet, and which makes cases of ill-treatment—not to mention "Zabern affairs"—practically unknown. Materially because—making allowance for the fact that they are conscripts—the men are well paid, well clothed, and well pensioned.

10 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1929.

Lo Hon-cheung, a school-boy, was charged with causing damage to plants at the Botanical Gardens.

It was stated that, for some considerable time past, persons frequenting the Gardens had been in the habit of scratching inscriptions and other writings, of an undesirable character, on the plants, the broad leaves of the acacia being specially favoured for the purpose.

Leaves of the plant damaged by the defendant were exhibited in Court by Mr. H. Green, Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, in substantiation of the charge. One of these bore the inscription, "I have come to meet some girls," while another had "I love her very much" scratched in bold Roman capital letters with what was obviously a penknife. Another leaf bore, in Chinese characters, the name of a well-known Chinese girls' school.

5 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1934.

Jiro Satoh, captain of Japan's Davis Cup Team, disappeared from the ship last night and it is believed that he jumped overboard—committing suicide.

The tragedy which has terribly shocked his team-mates, is attributed to ill-health and depression. He has not been well since leaving Hongkong and appeared to be on the verge of nervous breakdown.

Satoh recognised the seriousness of his condition and when the Hakone Maru arrived in Singapore, he expressed a desire to return to Japan. He was, however, persuaded to continue in the belief that the sea-voyage would quickly restore him to normal health.

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A pronouncement in the Catholic newspaper, *Osservatore Romano*, shows that relations between the Vatican and Germany are as strained as ever they were. The pronouncement denies the Vatican ever agreed to the dissolution, at Nazi dictation, of the Catholic Centre Party in Germany. Addressing three hundred German Catholic youths to-day, His Holiness the Pope alluded to the sufferings of many Catholic youths, which recalled the faith of martyrs. His Holiness promised to do his utmost to defend them against persecution.

ADVICE TO AN EASTER BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM

(Continued from Page 6.)

But if you and your partner each bring sincerity and patience to your love, and enrich it with laughter and good humour, perspicacity and imagination, you will be resolute to turn your back on any intruder into your home.

THREE years ago I was compelled to spend some weeks in a ward of St. Thomas's Hospital. On visiting days I was impressed and moved by the middle-aged, hard-working, sometimes poorly educated men who came with their dearly-bought gifts of flowers, fruit, or eggs to see their wives.

They tip-toed into the ward with a light shining in their eyes because they were to spend an hour with a sick, elderly woman, whose face was pale and lined with pain. When they left there were sometimes tears on their cheeks that they had to leave their wife behind for yet another few days. But at the door they always turned for a last wave of the hand and a smile of courage to be remembered until next time.

"For better, for worse." Just then it was "for worse," but it wouldn't be their fault if it wasn't soon "for better."

IN the next few days, while we are celebrating the triumph of Christ's love for mankind in His glorious Resurrection, the hundreds of men and women who bring their love before Him and swear their life-long allegiance to one another will, having made their vows, receive this blessing:—

"God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with His favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting."

That is a grand start. If they will strive to live in love and peace together they will not only inherit God's blessing but will give their children a home in which their hearts and minds can develop in confidence, in happiness, and in peace.

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12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Tino Rossi (Tenor) and Dajos Bela and His Dance Orchestra.

Night Of Love Divine—Tango; Do You Like Dancing?—Tango....Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra; Aux Iles D'Amour (from film 'Lumieres de Paris')....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra; Cuckoo Waltz (Jonasson); Brigitte—Waltz....Dajos Bela Dance Orchestra; Catarli Catarli (film 'Naples au baiser de feu'); Ecoutez Les Mandolines (film 'Naples au baiser de feu')....Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra; Veni Pebeta (Joves); Du Schwarzer Zigeuner (Vacck)....Dajos Bela and His Dance Orchestra.

1.0 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Turner Layton (Vocal) at the Piano.

If I Should Lose You (film 'Rose of the Rancho'); Up The Wooden Hill To Bedfordshire (Grey and Connelly); Moon Over Miami (Leslie and Burke).

1.13 Hawaiian Selections.

Waltzing To The Guitar—Medley....Len Fillis (Hawaiian Guitar) with Scott Wood at the Piano; Sweet Hawaiian Dream Girl—Waltz; Underneath The Blue Hawaiian Skies—Waltz....The Hawaiian Marimba Players; Sundown In Old Waikiki (Carlton and Ritz); All My Life (film 'Laughing Irish Eyes')....George Elliott's Hawaiian Novelty Quartet with Vocal Chorus; Goodnight Vienna (from the film)....Hawaiian Guitar Solo by Len Fillis with Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.40 Mozart—Symphony In D. No. 35.

Sir Hamilton Harty conducting the Hallé Orchestra.

2.0 Mozart—Sonata In B Flat Major, K.570.

Walter Gieseking at the Piano.

2.15 Close down.

6.0 Cesar-Franck—Symphony In D Minor.

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

6.40 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.42 Violin solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

"Tzar's Bride"—Song Of The Bride (Rimsky-Korsakov, arr. Franko); Campanelle, Op. 7 Bis. (Paganini)....with Piano accomp. by Hubert Giesen; Moto Perpetuo, Op. 11 (Paganini); La Ronde Des Lutins, Op. 25 (Bazzini)....with Piano accomp. by Marcel Gazelle.

7.0 Walter Glynne (Tenor) and Grace Moore (Soprano) in a Light Orchestral Concert.

The Nuremberg Doll—Overture (Adam)....Grand Symphony Orchestra; The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley-Elliott); I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray)....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Piano; June—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Tschaikowsky, arr. Lange); Tannhauser—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Wagner, arr. Lange)....Debroy Somers Band; What Shall Remain? (film 'The King steps out'); The End Begins (film 'The King steps out')....Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra. The Knave Of Diamonds (Steele); Love In Idleness—Serenata (Macbeth)....Alfredo Campoli and His Salon Orchestra; I Wait For You (film 'Evensong')....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Stars In My Eyes (film 'The King steps out'); Learn How To Lose (film 'The King steps out')....Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

7.42 B.B.C. Recording—"The Coronation of King George VI".

A talk by The Hon. Harold Nicolson, C.M.G., M.P.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Hide And Seek"—Selection (Vivian Ellis); Rag Doll (Nacio Herb Brown); Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel); "Going Greek"—Selection; "The Millionaire Kid"—Selection (Mayerl).

8.30 London Relay—'At The Black Dog.'

9.0 London Relay—'Empire' Exchange'.

By The Lord Hailey, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—A Recital by Marjorie Firangcon-Davies (Soprano).

Spring is at the Door; Passing Dreams (Roger Quilter); I Heard a Piper Piping; The Fiddler (Peterkin); Let Beauty Awake (Vaughan Williams); The Wind in the Wold (C. A. Lidgey).

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Billy Thorburn and His Music.

Night Over Shanghai—Fox-Trot (film 'The Singing Marine'); Two Shadows In The Moonlight—Fox-Trot; Moon At Sea—Fox-Trot.

10.0 London Relay—'The Fol-De-Rols'.

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11.0 Close down.

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NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: Whose bust is to be found in the Lion House at the Zoo and why is he in the news to-day?

ANSWER: Sir Stamford Raffles, founder of the Zoological Society, the man who obtained Singapore for the British Empire. It is 120 years since the foundation of the port which is now one of the Empire's greatest naval bases.

Question.—How did Singapore become British?

Answer.—Sir Stamford Raffles, an employee of the East India Company, landed there, established a bogus sultan and signed a treaty with him ceding the island to Britain. His idea was to use it as a base for a trade war against the Dutch. But the British Government refused to recognise the new acquisition for five years.

Dice Click Off Arrest

New Britain, Conn.

Police Sergt. James F. Kelly's ears were particularly keen when he dropped into a restaurant for a cup of coffee. From a back room he heard a familiar clicking noise. When he left the restaurant he had eight men under arrest. There was only 85 cents in the pot.

Shanghai

No Elections For Council This Year

Shanghai, Apr. 4.

There will be no election for the Shanghai Municipal Council for the next municipal year starting from April 20 as only nine nominations have been received for nine seats.

The Council will consist of two Americans, five Britons, and two Japanese, Mr. C. S. Franklin, Mr. A. C. Cornish (Americans), Mr. G. A. Haley, Mr. W. J. Keswick, Mr. R. G. MacDonald, Mr. G. E. Mitchell, Mr. T. S. Powell (British), Mr. O. Okamoto and Mr. T. Sugisaka (Japanese).—Reuter.

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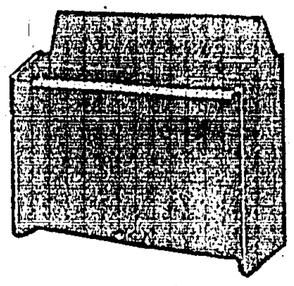
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U.S. Re-armament

EVER SINCE the Munich Agreement unsettled American isolationism, a struggle has been going on in Washington over defence plans for the United States. On one side were the military men who wanted careful, steady equipment for technical efficiency in defence. On the other were those who, led by President Roosevelt, thought in political and diplomatic terms. The Army recommendations, which were finally adopted yesterday, disclosed that the former had won.

A defence programme calling for a total expenditure of £550,000,000 does not measure up to the colossal £1,500,000,000 arms budget which Britain has undertaken this year: nevertheless, it is something for the American people to think about.

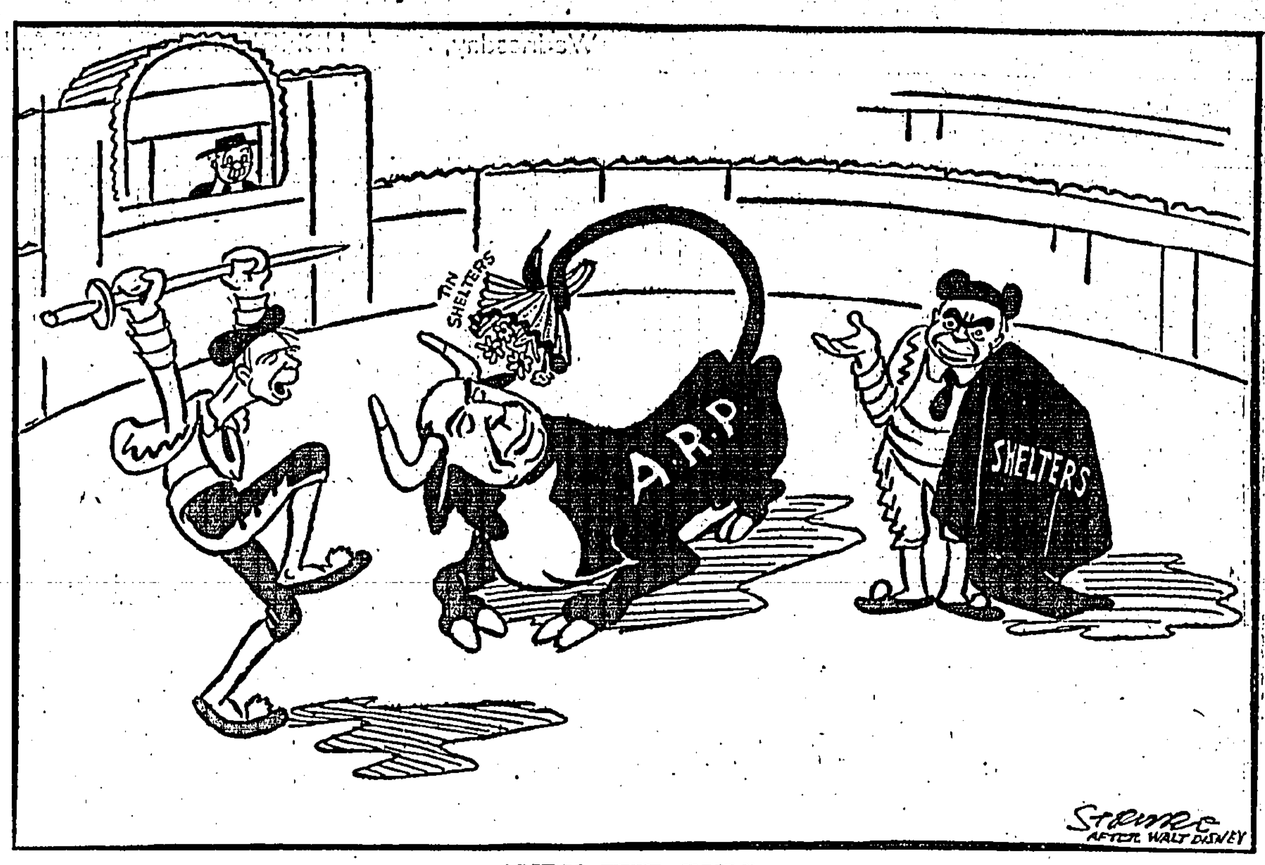
The most controversial part of the programme was the appropriation of only £80,000,000 for new aeroplanes, which was signed by the President yesterday after being passed by both Houses of Congress. It will more than double the U.S. Army's existing air force, but will add only 3,000 of the 10,000 planes which, it had been widely rumoured, America intended to build.

It was President Roosevelt who wanted more and more planes and not the Army generals. And the Army generals had their way. Army experts told Congress that the 3,000 planes required in the Defence appropriation would be sufficient to repel any attacks on the United States. The President, who throughout has taken the broader view of international requirements, protested that greatly increased speed and range of air attacks made the Army estimate obsolete before it was passed.

America may yet find, in restricting its aerial production, that the ignoring of diplomatic and political considerations will leave her unprepared, as she was unprepared in 1917.

If there is another war in Europe or more defiance of American protests by Japan opinion may jump beyond the generals as quickly as it jumped beyond the isolationists after Munich. Those who hope that America can keep out of war by neutrality acts are far fewer than a year ago. And if the American people decide that a great American air force will restrain aggressive diplomacy and will lessen the chances of war, as Great Britain believes, President Roosevelt will find much greater support for such arming than at present.

In terms of a decade ago, the construction of 3,000 new warplanes is a gigantic undertaking. But it is as nothing compared with the superhuman efforts now being exercised by certain European nations.



ANDY THE BULL

ANDY WAS NOT LIKE OTHER BULLS, HOWEVER MUCH THE MATADOR TRIED TO GOAD HIM, ANDY JUST SAT QUIETLY AND SMELLED THE FLOWERS.

After the Disney film "Ferdinand the Bull."

Advice to an Easter bride and bridegroom

HILDA COE is a spinster—but here she tells what she would strive for if she were among the thousands who will be married between now and next Tuesday, peak marriage season of the year.

DURING the next few days there will hardly be a church where a marriage is not solemnised. Brides and bridegrooms will line up to make their vows of faithfulness before God, and to seek the blessing of the Church on their new life together.

How are these men and women—mostly young men and women — approaching their marriage? They have fallen in love—for some it may have been love at first sight—and the chances are that, being young, they sincerely believe that that is all a successful marriage requires.

But "in-loveness," vital as it is, is like the poet's inspiration for a poem. Until he has tested his inspiration by sitting down with pencil and paper and seeing if it can be fashioned and disciplined into a permanent thing of beauty it is valueless; and if the inspiration should fail the poet's test, it must remain an airy bubble, brilliant and beautiful perhaps, but vanishing at the lightest touch.

SO, if you are in love, and contemplating marriage —above all if you are contemplating a Christian marriage, which entails making a solemn and lifelong vow before God—spend time in examining your "in loveness"; see if it can be fashioned, in marriage, into a permanent thing of beauty.

Remember that there is nothing of the holiday adventure about marriage once the honeymoon is over. It is a constructive task for two people, and because in its essence it is a partnership, you must first consider whether you are fitted to co-operate with another, or whether, by nature, you like only your own way and intend going your own way, regardless even of those you love.

If you have been a pampered, self-willed, ill-tempered, dominating child, don't commit the tragic mistake of asking somebody else to share your life. You may get a good bargain out of it, but your partner won't.

LET us assume that the people who are marrying within the next few days have decided on their ability to co-operate in marriage.

They will never regret it if they take time between now and their wedding day to sit down quietly and make themselves fully aware of the Christian outlook on marriage.

The Christian believes that marriage is a "holy estate" (ordained by God and sanctified by Christ by His presence at the marriage in Cana) having as its object the founding of a Christian home, in which husband and wife work together to bring up their children to be good Christians and good citizens.

If you are marrying and have made up your mind not to have children, think again and change your mind, for you are despoiling your marriage before it has begun. You are robbing it of its chief responsibility and its first reason for being entered upon, as well as its most enduring joy.

And at this point you can see how wide is the basis of your co-operation. It is not only a co-operation between your two selves to achieve a happy comradeship, though that is important enough; for, in your decision to have children and to bring them up in the sanctity of a good home, you are making a contribution both to your personal happiness and to the well-being of mankind.

YOU will start your new life together in the presence of God; on your wedding day you will stand before Him and make your vows, then kneel before Him to receive His blessing.

You realise that you are not undertaking a task that can be thrown over when either of you grows temporarily tired, but a task which you trust will be laid down only with death.

So you must bring to it all your powers, all your vitality and enthusiasm, all your endurance. And because no one is perfect you know you will need continually to seek strength and encouragement by prayer for grace, wisdom, and understanding.

I know an old couple who have already celebrated their golden wedding. They made up their minds that from the day of their marriage they would say their prayers together every day, and that—because if they left them until bed-time they might be over-tired by work or over-excited by a theatre or dance—they would always give themselves an extra ten minutes to dress before their evening meal, and utilise that ten minutes for prayers.

Now, if every partner in marriage does something like that, their marriage will not drift on the rocks either of ill-temper, unfaithfulness, slovenliness, superficiality, or any other kind of disagreeableness.

IT is hard for the young—perhaps impossible—to visualise a time when they will be no longer young, when that rapturous "in-loveness" will have softened into a love of gentler quality, when the physical attraction of youthful elegance and bloom will be a beauty recaptured only in the memory. But that time must come unless death, untimely, intervenes.

And when it comes they will know how much more important are the things of the spirit than the things that time has swept away.

If in your wife's wrinkled cheek and fading eye you see shining a quiet, happy, loving spirit; if in her voice you hear tones of gentleness, loving-kindness, and sympathy; if in her laughter there is still the ring of good humour and an enjoyment of the happy things of life, you will kneel down beside her at eventide and thank God for her even more gratefully than you did on your wedding-day.

AGAIN, don't come to marriage feeling that it would be rather fun "to have a shot at it and see if you can make it a go." Somebody is going to suffer for that kind of puerile nonsense, for there is in it neither the will to endurance nor any sense of responsibility.

Once you have accepted the responsibility don't let anybody come between you, or dilly-dally with the idea that a passing love affair won't impair your marriage. It won't do it any good.

It would be stupid to suggest that a man and woman once married should never enjoy the company and conversation of another person of the opposite sex.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"You mean to say that Omar—the guy we work for—started all this on a single nail?"

Girl Sentenced

London, Apr. 4.

There were further Irish Republican Army sentences at the Old Bailey to-day when an 18-year-old girl was sentenced to three years detention at a Borstal institution for possessing explosive substances.

Two brothers were sentenced to five and four and a half years' penal servitude respectively, for possessing an alarm clock fitted for timing an explosion.—*Reuter.*

Col. Beck Starts Talks In London

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

New Nazi Threat To Patagonia

LAST NIGHT'S BIG NEWS FROM EUROPEAN FRONT

Germany, it is reported, intends to warn the smaller Powers against alignment in the British anti-aggression bloc. A report from Buenos Aires indicates that Patagonia is the next objective of the Nazi authorities.

Considerable activity was apparently in French diplomatic quarters on Monday when the British and Soviet Ambassadors called at the Foreign Office to discuss the Anglo-Polish conversations.

The British and French Ambassadors may be ordered back to Berlin for the purpose of co-ordinating and amplifying routine Embassy reports regarding the crisis. The French Air Minister is paying a visit to London to see his British counterpart, Sir Kingsley Wood.

Buenos Aires, Mar. 30.

Sensation has been created here by the publication in local leading newspapers of facsimile of a confidential document belonging to the Reich's Legation.

The document is a letter signed by Herr Von Schubert, Consellor of the Legation, and Alfred Mueller, Leader of the Argentine's Nazis, addressed to General Von Epp, Statthalter of Bavaria, and concurrently Chairman of the German Colonial League.

The letter referred to the defence of Patagonia's oil fields and stressed the possibility of Patagonia being annexed by the Reich. The letter mentioned military documents annexed to it.

Following the publication of this information, it is understood that the Government has decided to order an immediate investigation into the facts revealed and to take appropriate measures if they are found to be correct.—*Havas.*

Authenticity Doubts

Buenos Aires, Apr. 3.

It is understood that the police are becoming increasingly doubtful regarding the authenticity of the letter purporting to show the Nazi plans for the annexation of Patagonia.

While the most strict silence is being maintained regarding the investigations, it was learned that the police came into possession of information incriminating the past of the original informer of the affair, Enrique Jurges.

It is not known whether the police obtained the information or if it was offered to them, but it is understood that it records the alleged conviction of Jurges for forgery in Germany at an unknown date.

Meanwhile, the police continued to hold both Jurges and Alfredo Muller.—*United Press.*

DEMONSTRATION NEAR CHILE EMBASSY

Santiago, Chile, Apr. 4.

A time bomb exploded at 1.50 a.m. to-day in a sidewalk close to the driveway to the German Embassy, slightly damaging the outer wall and shattering a few of the Embassy windows. There were no casualties.

The Ambassador and Baroness von Schoen got up, inspected the damage and returned to bed. The Baroness in a telephone message connected the explosion with the anti-German press campaign now going on.—*United Press.*

ABSORBING ALBANIA

Tirana, Apr. 4.

A semi-official statement declares, "Certain foreign newspapers and several radio stations announced to-day that a protectorate over Albania was imminent. This news can be considered as without foundation, as Albania would never admit violation of her independence or her integrity."

Reports from London state that while there are indications of military activity in Italy, British official circles in London declare that they have no information to support reports that Italy is concentrating troops at ports lying opposite Albania.

It is stated that the British Government find it difficult to believe that the Italian Government would take any action liable to impair the independence or freedom of action of Albania. It is further pointed out that anything which did so impair the independence of Albania would violate the Anglo-Italian Agreement.—*Reuter.*

BECK IN LONDON

London, Apr. 4.

Col. Beck will meet Mr. Neville Chamberlain, accompanied by Lord Halifax, in the Premier's room in the House of Commons at 5 p.m. The talks, which will continue until a late hour, will be resumed to-morrow as Col. Beck is guest of honour at a dinner at the Foreign Office.

Continued unreserved approval of Britain's new foreign policy, as enunciated by Mr. Chamberlain marks the comment in the French as well as British press. While the Nazi press is wrathful, in Rome the morning papers did everything to belittle the policy, which is interpreted as an aggressive attempt to encircle innocent Germany.—*Reuter.*

CABINET RESHUFFLE

London, Apr. 4.

Rumours of an imminent reshuffle of the British Cabinet have been given new ground by the friendly references made by Mr. Chamberlain during the House of Commons debate to Mr. Anthony Eden.

After the close of the debate last night, the probability was mentioned that after all the creation of a Ministry of Supply under Mr. Eden was contemplated.—*Trans-Ocean.*

BRITISH ATTITUDE

London, Apr. 4.

Although the British-Polish conversations in London will not be completed before to-morrow evening, they are reported to have reached such an advanced stage by noon to-day that informed quarters are already able to speak of the conclusion of a defensive alliance between Britain and Poland.

Lord Halifax is believed to have informed Col. Beck that the unilateral pledge of British assistance for Poland was merely in the nature of an interim announcement made with a view to consultations still in progress. On the other hand, if Poland desires to reckon on British assistance later on it would now have to abandon its policy of neutrality, as Britain was not prepared to take over the commitment unless it was based on reciprocity.—*Trans-Ocean.*

MOVES IN FRANCE

Paris, Apr. 4.

Authoritative quarters here are confident that France, Britain, Poland and Rumania will be linked in an automatic system of mutual assistance in the event of Hitler moving.

It is learnt from very reliable sources that Britain and France will now endeavour to include Greece and Yugo-Slavia in the anti-aggression bloc.—*United Press.*

Military Programme

Paris, Apr. 3.

The French Government to-day intensified the military programme with a decree for a national preliminary training system in order to obtain air force reserves.

It is also understood that British and French army staffs are scheduled to confer with Soviet military authorities regarding the role of the Russian army.—*United Press.*

Paris Activity

Paris, Apr. 4.

While the Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, is conducting negotiations with the British Government in London, Paris is likewise doing its part to prepare the ground for an anti-aggression pact.

The conversations which the Foreign Minister, M. Donnet had yesterday with the Soviet Ambassador, M. Suritz, the British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, and the Turkish Minister, Suad Dawaz, all served this purpose, according to the *Excelsior* this morning which states that M. Bonnet informed the diplomatic representatives of the three Powers that France regards the participation not only of Poland and Rumania but also the Soviet Union and Turkey in the defensive alliance as desirable.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Soviet Attitude

Paris, Apr. 4.

Soviet Russia, according to the French press this morning, has officially denied the truth of the rumours that she had pledged assistance to Poland if attacked.

It it added that the Soviet Union gave neither Poland nor any other country such an assurance and that Russia in the event of war was not obliged to supply war materials to Poland or to other countries, or to cease supplying Germany with raw material.—*Trans-Ocean.*

AFRICAN COLONIES

Paris, Apr. 4.

Propaganda for the purpose of strengthening the bonds between France and her African possessions is to be introduced on an extensive scale by the nationwide organisation known as the Youth of The French Empire which is directed by the son of the Premier, M. Daladier.

The first plan is to acquaint the French youth with North Africa and the native youth of Tunis and Algeria with France, by means of extensive tours during which the participants will be given a chance to become acquainted with the life and customs in the different parts of the Empire.

Three individual tours have been planned for the time being, two from France to Tunis and Algeria respectively and one from North Africa to France where the participants will be shown the former battlefields and the Maginot line. The members of all three groups will then meet in Tunis on September 2 for a congress and demonstration of solidarity.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SLOVAK FRONTIERS

Bratislava, Apr. 4.

A Hungaro-Slovak frontier incident occurred yesterday near Kosice, where patrols exchanged shots. One Slovak and one Hungarian have been deputed as a commission to investigate the incident, which is not thought likely to create complications.

The Hungaro-Slovak Treaty with regard to the new frontier will, it is reported, cost Slovakia 40,000 inhabitants, mostly Ruthenians.

Slovak quarters emphasise that although a chain of mountains will be ceded to Hungary, which may be strategically important for Hungary with regard to the protection of the railway from Ungvar to Lwow, Slovakia will lose only the poorest region.

M. Czermak, a former Minister known for his radical views, has been appointed Slovak Minister to Berlin and is leaving Bratislava to-day.

M. Durcansky, the Foreign Minister, is also going to Berlin for talks with regard to the consolidation of the internal situation in Slovakia.

M. Mach, Minister for Propaganda, announced that the single political party in Slovakia will be organised on totalitarian lines.

The Slovak Government will become a totalitarian government.—*Reuter Special.*

Agreement Reached

Budapest, Apr. 4.

The Hungarian and Slovak representatives on the mixed committee for settlement of the frontier dispute, signed a final agreement at noon to-day which cedes a frontier strip to a depth of 15 to 20 kilometres of Slovak territory along the Slovak-Carpetho-Ukrainian frontier to Hungary.

Hungary is now a country of 117,000 square kilometres and 10,700,000 inhabitants, as against 93,000 square kilometres and 9,000,000 inhabitants before the Vienna agreement last autumn.—*Trans-Ocean.*

United States

ENORMOUS BILL FOR THE ARMY

Washington, Apr. 4.

President Roosevelt to-day signed the $358,000,000 Army Air Defence Bill, authorising a large proportion of the sum to be devoted to increasing the number of army aeroplanes to 6,000. The remainder of the money will be utilised on Panama Canal defences and in order to "educate United States industry in the manufacture of war materials."—*Reuter.*

BRITISH AIR DEFENCE

London, Apr. 4.

The Air Minister, Sir Kingsley Wood, speaking at Liverpool on aircraft production said that he was glad to see the aircraft industry now working to full capacity.

About 3,500 firms were now engaged in sub-contracting work, the labour forces in aircraft production generally were being steadily increased month by month and during the last few months had been increased by 40 per cent., he said.

More than 100 squadrons of air defence cadet corps have now been formed, and though a similar number of squadrons remains to be formed they are coming into existence so rapidly that the limit of 200 squadrons will be reached without much difficulty.—*British Wireless.*

CANADA'S POSITION

Ottawa, Apr. 4.

The Conservative, Mr. Howard Green, has advised the Canadian Government to immediately seek defensive alliances with the United States, Britain and British possessions in the Pacific. He described the present policy of making no military commitments as a delusion and a snare.

Mr. Howard said that Canada should have participated in the recent Pacific defence conference held in New Zealand, because she was partly dependent on the Singapore naval base and fleets of sister Dominions in the Pacific for protection.—*United Press.*

Denmark

LATEST ELECTION RESULTS

Copenhagen, Apr. 3.

Latest returns of the present election indicate that Parliament will not be changed.

The Farmers' Party won 7,000 votes, while the Liberals, Communists and Danish Nazis received 10,000 each. The Laborites lost 30,000 votes.

In South Jutland, near the German border, the Germans won 2,500 votes, but the Danes had 10,500.

Unidentified persons overturned flagpoles and cut the halyards flying Danish flags in the north Schleswig areas.

Police searched two German Nazi agents while they were placing posters on buildings at Hadersiev.—*United Press.*

Six Children Die in Fire

Shanghai, Apr. 4.

Six Chinese children were burned to death and eight Chinese women were seriously burned when a fire destroyed a block of Chinese houses of the poor class type, mainly consisting of wood and mud straw huts, here yesterday.—*United Press.*

U.S.-Japan

Closer Friendship Appeal

Tokyo, Apr. 4.

Renewed pleas for closer friendship between Japan and the United States were voiced by Japan's Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, and the Mayor of Tokyo, Mr. Ichita Kobashi, when they broadcast messages of congratulations to the American People on Monday morning on the occasion of the opening of the New York World Fair.

Speaking through the air for half an hour from 3.30 a.m. (Tokyo time), Premier Hiranuma stressed that good relations have happily been preserved between Japan and the United States for many years.

Reviewing the relations that have developed between the two nations since the first vist to Japan of the American Consul-General, Mr. Townsend Harris, Premier Hiranuma expressed the hope that the New World Fair organized in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the American Federal Government, will prove an effective instrument for promoting the welfare and prosperity of mankind.

Mayor Kobashi expressed deep appreciation for the warm sympathy shown to Japan by the American People at the time of the Great Earthquake and Fire in 1925.

Under the heading, Re-adjustment of American-Japanese Relations, the *Nichinichi Shimbun* declares that it is opportune at this time to renew efforts towards the re-adjustment of relations between Japan and America.

Friendly relations between the two countries form the basis not only of peace in East Asia but of the peace of the world, the journal states.

The history of the friendship between Japan and America extends over 80 years, and it was America who opened Japan for intercourse with the world Powers.

As indicating the traditional friendship between the two countries, the journal cites the goodwill shown by America in transporting the ashes of the late Mr. Hiroshi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to Washington, aboard the cruiser Astoria to Japan, and the popularity of the Japanese Pavilion at the San Francisco Exhibition.

The *Nichinichi* expresses regret that some Americans seem to regard the conclusion of the anti-Comintern Pact and the cultural agreements with Italy and Germany as a bloc between the three countries concerned and constituting an obstacle to the promotion of American-Japanese relations.—*Domei.*

U.S. NOT INTERESTED

Washington, Apr. 4.

Senator Borah has issued a warning against the United States taking an over-active interest in Japan's action in the Sprattley Islands, which he points out is a problem for France. He asserts that Sprattley Islands are no more significant to the United States than other islands and territories Japan has occupied around the Philippines. From a military standpoint the Philippines have been long indefensible before the occupation of Sprattley Islands.

Senator Elbert Thomas said that the occupation of the islands was a perfectly logical manoeuvre in connection with the occupation of Hainan. It helped to open Japan's path to a source of supply in the Dutch East Indies.—*United Press.*

Wool From Seaweed

Tokyo.

Japanese to-day are making wool from seaweed. Along the stormy coasts of North-eastern Japan, where sea weed is washed up in thousands of pounds, the Toho Artificial Fibre Company of Tokyo has established a new factory capable of turning out five tons of "wool" a day.

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Syria

Riots Spread: Negotiations Break Down

Cairo, Apr. 4.

The situation in Syria has become more serious since yesterday, according to reports arriving from Damascus which state that the Syrian President, Atassi, has broken off his negotiations with the French authorities.

In an attempt to put an end to the uprisings and disorders throughout the country, the French militia has made an increasing number of arrests, over 300 persons in Damascus alone having been taken into custody. A 24-hour curfew has been imposed on Damascus as well as Aleppo, and the French garrisons throughout the country are in a constant state of preparedness since an open revolution is liable to begin at the first sign of relaxation on the part of the military authorities.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Spelling Bee

HOW *many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?*

divisable	dobbin
doggral	nomencliture
noli mi tangere	poch

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

Manchukuo

TO BUILD HER OWN NAVY

But Financial Aid Still Necessary

Hsinking, Apr. 4.

In an exclusive interview with Mr. E. A. Kennard, editor of the *Japan Chronicle*, leading British-managed English newspaper in Japan, General Chang Ching-hui, the Manchukuo Premier, declared that here was no suggestion at present that Manchukuo should make an additional financial contribution towards Japan's military expenses in Manchukuo.

Premier Chang pointed out that Manchukuo was a young and momentarily weak State, so that it was both necessary and natural for her to continue to rely on Japan's assistance.

Premier Chang then made an unexpected declaration that Manchukuo had definitely decided to build her own Navy and that the question of tonnage and numbers of vessels was at present under discussion.

"We intend to build even battleships and cruisers in addition to warships of smaller types," Premier Chang said.

Questioned regarding the Soviet-Manchukuo border situation, Premier Chang declared that though border incidents continued to be numerous, Moscow would not contemplate a trial of strength. "The position has altered for the better since the battle of Changkufeng last August as far as we are concerned. That battle was a decisive defeat for the Soviet. We believe that the Soviet Government has discovered that it will not pay them to adopt a policy of aggression across the Manchukuo border."

"The series of incidents which has taken place since the Changkufeng Affair is designed to irritate and annoy both Manchukuo and Japan and to cause us trouble, but the situation is not critical." Premier Chang remarked.

General Chang added that the Manchukuo Government proposed to make further suggestions to the Soviet Government for a more exact delimitation of the 3,700-kilometre border where the ravages of time have removed at many places the border marks fixed 70 years ago.

The changes which have occurred in the border rivers, and particularly the appearance of new islands in the Amur River, have provided cause for other disputes. Premier Chang recalled that the Manchukuo Government on two occasions some time ago proposed the formation of a commission to examine the entire boundary question but the Soviet refused. Since the battle of Changkufeng, the Manchukuo Government has not considered it necessary to renew the proposal.

Concluding, Premier Chang stated that Manchukuo welcomed the Japanese colonisation schemes in Manchukuo which is opening up new and hitherto uncultivated areas. The Manchukuo Government also welcomes agricultural labour immigrating from China, General Chang added.—*Domei.*

SOUTH CHINA "B" BEATEN IN THEIR LAST SOCCER LEAGUE GAME

ROYAL SCOTS IN FINE FORM AT SOOKUNPOO

Though the issue was in doubt until almost the final whistle, the Royal Scots undoubtedly deserved their victory over South China "B" in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League at Sookunpoo yesterday. Leading by two goals to one at half-time, they eventually won by 3-1.

The game was fast and keen, and except for one short period when tempers became a trifle frayed, play was always interesting. Two penalties—one for each side—were awarded during the match, and both resulted in goals.

After ten minutes of even play, in the course of which the ball travelled from one end to the other without either side being able to find the net, the Scots went ahead as a result of a penalty, given against the Chinese for a foul on Parnaby. Bailey converted the spot-kick.

Despite constant pressure at this stage, the Chinese defence held out. Tsang Ka-wing, in goal, dealt very capably with all the shots fired at him, and on one occasion at least saved what appeared to be a certain goal.

Then in one of their rare raids, the Chinese equalised. A Scots defender handled the ball in the penalty area, and Yeung Shui-yick gave Duncan no chance with his shot.

Just before the whistle blew for half-time, the Scots went ahead once more, Cook jumping on a partial clearance and scoring.

SECOND HALF

Play in the second half remained as keen as in the first, and both sets of defences were called upon to do a great deal of work. Once Parnaby broke through and netted, but his goal was disallowed. The Chinese in their turn attacked with a good deal of determination in an attempt to obtain the equaliser, but Naysmith and Fraser, the Scots' backs, and Duncan, in goal, proved themselves worthy of the occasion, stemming the Chinese attack time and again. The goal-keeper particularly was in grand form and pushed out shot after shot.

Towards the end, however, the soldiers definitely had the upper hand. They made the issue safe a few minutes from the final whistle when Marshall scored from a free kick just outside the penalty area.

The Chinese defence also showed up well during the game, but the forwards were never clever enough to beat the Scottish defenders.

Teams:

Royal Scots.—Duncan; Naysmith, Fraser; Brown, Marshall, Clarke; Cook, Parnaby, McDonald and Bankier.

South China "B".—Tsang Ka-wing; Kwok Ping-tung, Lau Mau; Leung Pak-wai, Lim Tak-po, Lau Tin-sang; Yeung Shui-yick, Au Sze-ngok, Yeung Kam-po, Chau Wai-sang and Tse Konn-hing.

Tennis Programme Postponed

Owing to the sodden state of the courts, no matches will be played at the Hongkong C.C. to-day in the Colony Tennis Championships.

Television Worries The Boxing Board

TWO SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

London, March 5.

There is a new television slogan which says "You can't shut your eyes to it." That is exactly what the stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control think, particularly the chairman, Col. R. E. Myddelton.

The Boon—Danahar fight having been televised on cinema screens for the entertainment of people sitting miles away from the contest, it would be surprising if the stewards failed to recognise television as something which may change the whole face of professional boxing says Geoffrey Simpson.

Col. Myddelton, a far-seeing man, believes a round-table talk is called for. He has convened a special meeting of the board's administrative stewards in London. The subject will be: "Television, broadcasting, film photography, and their relationship to the interests of boxing."

There are two schools of thought among the higher-ups of boxing on the value of an ordinary broadcast. As for promoters, some are in favour of fights being put on the air; others are dead against it, saying it spoils seat bookings.

EPOCH-MAKING

Now that television of boxing has arrived, it is realised that a definite attitude must be taken.

The re-diffusion of the Boon-Danahar fight was an epoch-making event in the sports-news entertainment industry.

The cinema people hailed it as a triumph, as indeed it was. Instead of showing championship fights in one or two theatres, they plan to screen them for the cinema-going public throughout the country.

And, as a matter of record, please note that there are over 3,000 cinemas in Britain.

Now, if, say in two-years time (perhaps less) any one can walk into any of the several hundred cinemas advertising "To-night at 10 o'clock Boon v. Armstrong.....world championship fight," what is going too happen?

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The only difference is that the Harringay crowd has the privilege of watching the men in the flesh and of paying 3 guineas or 5 guineas instead of 2s.

Television of big fights is, of course, fine for stay-at-home boxing followers—but will it, in the long run, prove good for boxing?

That is what the Board of Control must decide. Their only wish is to help the sport and guard its future. There is alarm in many quarters; that some boxing folk see in television a threat to their livelihood.

TRICKY PROBLEM

In any case, there is already a strong feeling that if televising of fights to cinema audiences is to become general, then promoters are going to have the dickens of a job to obtain customers at five guineas per person.

The cheapest seats at important fights—and they are a long way back—are 6s. each. In future a close-up view of the most expensive contest that can be arranged may be on sale at cinemas for 2s.

We must remember that television as yet is in its infancy. We thought the first talkies were wonderful, but they do not compare with the modern production.

Even the ordinary wireless commentary is feared by some fight promoters. When they have a sell-out, they don't mind, but when bookings are not strong, they say people stay at home and listen-in instead of going to the contest—especially on wet nights.

FASTER WICKETS WANTED BY GLOUCESTER

London, March 16.

Gloucester C.C.C. are taking steps to better the wickets at Bristol, which, states the annual report, have been a source of considerable anxiety.

An analysis of specimen turfs by an expert from the Royal Agricultural College has shown that an undue proportion of organic matter was the cause of the lifeless pitches, and special treatment is being carried out which it is hoped will improve the nature of the soil and result in faster wickets.



Mrs. M. R. Burke, who plays right back for the "Y" Ladies' hockey team, will sail for England on the Ettrick to-morrow. Her departure will be a serious loss to ladies' hockey in the Colony.



BASEBALL'S CENTENNIAL—This year marks the 100th anniversary of the national game, said to have been originated by General Abner Doubleday, in Cooperstown, N. Y. It was Alexander J. Cartwright, however, who created the baseball diamond with bases 90 foot apart, as they have remained for 90 years. At top are two old-time uniforms. Left, Charles A. Reilly of the Los Angeles team of 1902 wears high red leather shoes with pants and shirt collar of brilliant red. Right, Cal A. McVey of the first professional team, the Cincinnati Red Stockings of 1859. Stockings were bright red. Center, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, czar of baseball. Bottom, plaques of Cy Young, Cartwright and Connie Mack at Hall of Fame, Cooperstown.

Dates For Badminton Final Ties

(By "The Bird")

Dates for the finals of the Colony badminton championships were arranged at a meeting of the subcommittee of the Badminton Association last evening.

Two of the finals will be played at Club de Recreio, and two at Taikoo.

On Wednesday next, April 12, the men's junior singles final will be played at Club de Recreio, starting at 8.30 p.m.

This will be followed by the mixed doubles final.

S. H. Boone and D. Kwok are the contestants in the junior singles, while in the mixed doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo, the holders, will again meet M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

Mr. H. Kew will umpire the first match, and Mr. S. A. Gray the second, and there will be an admission charge of 30 cents.

On Thursday, April 13, the remaining two finals will be played at Taikoo.

The first, at 8.30, will be the men's senior singles between P. K. Hui (holder) and C. Au.

This will be followed by the men's doubles between the holders, P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong, and C. Au and F. Koh or P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim.

The Au and Koh v. Bun and Lim semi-final tie will be decided this evening at the Club de Recreio.

The same admission charge of 30 cents will be made for the finals at Taikoo.

SHANGHAI VISIT

In the meantime, it is understood that a group of Club de Recreio players have finalised arrangements for a visit to Shanghai. The players, comprising M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios, Miss M. Silva, Miss M. Ribeiro, Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Xavier, will sail for Shanghai on Thursday next, April 13. They will return here on April 27, and during their week's stay in Shanghai, will meet one or two local teams, including Club Lusitano representatives.

British Boxing Board Tired Of Dictation From United States

The British Boxing Board of Control has broken with the New York State Athletic Commission so far as a working agreement is concerned, but it is doubtful whether the action will cause any tears in Britain.

Little satisfaction has been obtained in recent years through the association with the politically-controlled New York body, and the British Board is to be commended for refusing to accept the slight which has been put upon it, says Joe Bromley.

The British Board first took offence when in February they suspended Tommy Farr and the New York body refused to uphold the suspension on their side of the Atlantic. On learning of the decision, the British Board wrote to New York regretting the Commission's step and gave 30 days' notice of the Board's intention to abrogate the agreement between the two bodies.

The New York body has for long considered that they are a law unto themselves so far as boxing is concerned. They set up and knock down world champions at the slightest provocation, and many of their actions in that direction have been farcical.

Bowls Committee To Meet Next Week

A meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.30 p.m. in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Arrangements for the coming League season will be decided at the meeting.

Quist Cures Himself Of Foot Faults

Sydney, Mar. 27.

Adrian Quist, the Australian Davis Cup star, interviewed here, says that as the result of intensive training at the hands of the former world champion, Norman Brookes, who is now president of the Australian L.T.A., he has cured himself of his foot-fault habit.

Mr. Brookes, who was probably the greatest left-handed lawn tennis player the world has ever seen, was very perturbed by the possible effect of Quist's foot-faulting on what is hoped to be Australia's best chance to win the Davis Cup this year.

He showed Quist how, by standing a little further behind the baseline, and throwing the ball more in front of the body, he could obtain the same service pace without risk of foot-fault.

After a few hours' practice, Quist was serving without sign of faulting.—*Reuter.*

DRAW MADE IN INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

The draw for the International Hockey Tournament, the first round of which will be played on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.15 p.m. resulted as follows:

FIRST ROUND
(TOP HALF)

Wales v. Ireland
(on U.S.R.C. ground)

Portugal v. Continent
(on Club ground)

BOTTOM HALF

Scotland v. England
(on C.B.A. ground)

India v. China
(on Recreio ground)

The semi-finals will be played on April 19, and the final on April 23.

BOBBY JONES' RECORD EQUALLED BY YOUNG PROFESSIONAL GOLFER

By George Greenwood

London, Mar. 3.

After an interval of 13 years Bobby Jones' record round of 66 on the Old course at Sunningdale has been equalled. William Smithers, formerly a caddie there, and now assistant to Michael Bingham, accomplished this remarkable score—eight strokes under the scratch score—when winning the Guildford and District Alliance championship yesterday.

To the 66 on the Old he added a 75 on the Jubilee course for a total of 141.

In comparing the achievements of the two men it is not without interest that Jones' score was made on a still June day, while Smithers' was made in a strong wind. Since 1926 the course has undergone only one major alteration—a new green at the seventh cut out of the hillside instead of the hidden green on the other side of the high ridge on the left.

COURSE SCRATCH SCORE—74

Hole	Yards	Scratch	Hole	Yards	Scratch
1	492	5	10	448	5
2	454	5	11	315	4
3	292	4	12	421	5
4	152	3	13	175	3
5	394	4	14	473	5
6	392	4	15	229	3
7	453	4	16	426	5
8	165	3	17	422	4
9	270	4	18	415	4
	3044	36		3324	38

Except for the addition a few yards here and there—the 11th with its blind drive over a hill being about 20 yards longer—the course is the same as when the famous American player startled the world by doing two rounds of 66 and 68 in the qualifying stages of the Open championship, which he subsequently won at Lytham and St. Annes.

Without in any way attempting to minimise the wonderful effort of Smithers, I am afraid it is not possible to award the same unqualified praise as that earned by Bobby Jones. His was the dream round, every shot being hit to the right place with a simplicity of movement that was almost exasperating. The same can scarcely be said about Smithers. He made a few mistakes and was also blessed with a little luck.

RECORD INWARD HALF

The feature of his round was the extraordinary inward half of 30, a score that has never before been accomplished. His figures for this stretch were 3, 3, 4, 2, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4. Jones took 33, his figures being: 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4. While Jones did not take more than four at any hole, Smithers started 6, 5, a beginning to a round which would have discouraged most players. But if ever there was a dramatic change of fortune he supplied it, for he was nine under 4's for the other 16 holes, despite a 5 at the sixth.

In the teeth of the wind at the first, Smithers attempted to get home with two driver shots and was trapped in a bunch of hummocks on the left. At the second he was over the green with a No. 3 iron. Thus in two holes three shots for a 2 at the 4th and drove the green at the ninth and was out in 36.

PRODIGIOUS DRIVES

He started back with a couple of 3's, holding from four yards at the tenth and driving to the edge of the green at the 11th—a prodigious shot. He was now in the mood when everythink went right. Smithers had another 2 at the 13th, where his tee-shot finished a yard from the pin, and though bunkered from his second at the 14th he pitched boldly out and holed the putt for a 4. He got his 3 at the 15th by another deft chip to the holeside, while at the 16th, with the wind behind, he put a No. 4 iron a yard from the flag and holed the putt for another 3.

His inward half might very well have been 28, for at each of the last two holes the putt stopped on the lips for a 3. It was too much to expect that Smithers would repeat this performance in his second round on the Jubilee course, a stern test of infinite variety. Again he started with a 6 and had two more before the round, for which he took 75, was finished.

A splendid putter, who keeps the club-head low to the ground, Smithers again had a couple of 2's and also an eagle 3 at the long eleventh. He won the championship which Alfred Perry did not defend, with five strokes to spare. Arthur Lacey was second with 146 and Leonard Crawley was not only leading amateur but finished third with 148. A. D. Poulton, of Burhill, won the assistants' championship with a total of 150, his score of 73 being the best on the Jubilee course.

Leading scores (Old course first): W. Smithers (Sunningdale, asst.) 66-75—141; A. J. Lacey (Berkshire), 70-76—146; Mr. L. G. Crawley (Sunningdale), 72-76—148; W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park), 149; R. G. French (W. Surrey), 150; A. D. Poulton (Burhill, asst.), 150; F. Wallis (Farnham), 153; D. J. Rees (Hindhead), 153; H. B. Rhodes (S. Herts, 156; H. A. J. Young (Sonning, asst.), 150; C. L. White (St. George's Hill, asst.), 150; H. G. Bowen (Berks, asst., 150; T. W. Allen (Rochampton, asst.), 150; A. G. Matthews (Roehampton, asst.), 150; A. G. Matthews (Rochampton), 151; G. Webb (Laleham, asst.), 151; H. C. Ruie (R. Wimbledon, asst.), 151.

NO CHANGE WANTED IN GOLF BALL

London, March 16.

The English Golf Union decides at their Council Meeting on Thursday, March 15, to recommend to St. Andrew's that the golf ball should be left as it is. Headquarters is collating opinions as to whether any reduction in the carrying-power of the ball is desirable.

Capt. A. Stanley Bright was elected president of the union, with Capt. Angus Hambro, M.P., deputy-president. All entrants for next year's English Amateur Championship (to be held at Hayling) will be required to sign a declaration that during the preceding 12 months they have not received gifts or partial gifts of balls or clubs because of their skill as golfers.

The Union is to promote a 72-holes open stroke competition, for the Moore Brabazon Cup, at Hoylake on October 4, 5 and 6. The event will be open to all English amateurs, and the leading 40 players after 36 holes will be eligible to play on the final day.



MATCHED WITH BOMBER—Fight fans haven't much hope that Jack Roper, above, will stay long with Champion Joe Louis, when they meet in the boxing ring in Los Angeles, April 24. Louis, 25, Roper, 38, was kayoed in one round by Braddock in 1931 and slashed to ribbons by Godoy in 1937.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



QUICK-FIRE CRICKET TESTS ON THE WAY

Visit Of West Indian Team Being Awaited With Great Interest

London, March 21.

After the weariness of the timeless final Test at Durban, England's players are now gladly resting on the Athlone Castle on their way home. They may also be rejoicing in the thought that they are returning to a series of Tests that will be short, sharp, and lively.

The matches are the series next summer with West Indies, whose colourful, happy-go-lucky players will, unless they have changed a great deal, and for the worse, treat the game for exactly what they are—games.

Nor can England assume that the Tests will be cakewalks. At the smiting business the West Indians are a delight, and, if things come off for them, their style will be admirably suited to three-days cricket, says Geoffrey Simpson.

Whereas one cannot be sure of the English team, who, as a result of consecutive series against Australia and South Africa, have attuned themselves to slow-motion stuff. Look at Gibb's crawling century of over seven hours!

There will have to be a general shake-up if England are to escape from the drawn match. England will certainly not win these three-days Tests against West Indies by their Durban methods. The clock would beat them every time.

REALLY LIVELY

For exhilarating cricket one must go to the Lancashire League these days, in which they start and finish matches in the afternoon. And it is in Lancashire that George Headley, that black Bradman, "Leary" Constantine, of the elastic body, and Emanuel Martindale, bowler of "thunderbolts," have been keeping hand and eye in.

This trio will be in the West Indies eleven. They are temporarily forsaking profitable engagements in the north to help West Indies, and there's no doubt their experience of English conditions will be valuable to the keen youngsters who will be paying their first visit.

WINDOW-BREAKER

Constantine will be a joy to watch if he does his Lancashire League batting in the Tests. When he is "seeing them well" he is liable to smash any window within range of a six-hit.

He is studying law with a view to becoming a solicitor. He's had a good innings at cricket and is looking ahead. He is 37.

Headley, idol of Northern crowds, has ideas of finishing up as a dentist, and Martindale, has done so well for himself out of cricket that he reckons eventually to return to his own sunny shores more or less independent.

TEST OF STYLES

It is going to be very interesting, this struggle between men with a natural quick-fire style and England players, who, against their wishes, have been turned into marathon experts.

The only regret is that Constantine will not be bowling as he used to do. This great all-rounder was a bowler of genuine "express." He could be a real terror, but the advance of time has told.

He has turned into a slow spin and googly exponent, and has no wish to be a speed bowler. He is getting plenty of wickets with his new style, and as for his batting it is as pulverising as ever.

Martindale is supposed to be the only shock bowler of class in the side, but E. A. V. Williams, from Barbados, is a real "dark horse"—a pace man who can keep going for long spells.

THE TEAM

Here the chosen players who are due to open the campaign against Worcestershire at Worcester in the early days of May:

R. S. Grant (capt.), L. S. Constantine, G. Gomez, Tyrell Johnson, Jeffery Stollmeyer, Victor Stollmeyer (Trindad), George Headley, Ivan Barrow (wicketkeeper), J. H. Cameron, Kenneth Weekes (Jamaica), H. P. Bayley (British Guiana), E. A. Martindale, C. B. Clarke, J. E. D. Sealey and E. A. Williams (Barbados).

Three Tests will be played, the first at Lord's, beginning on June 24, the second at Manchester on July 22, and the third at Kennington Oval on August 19.

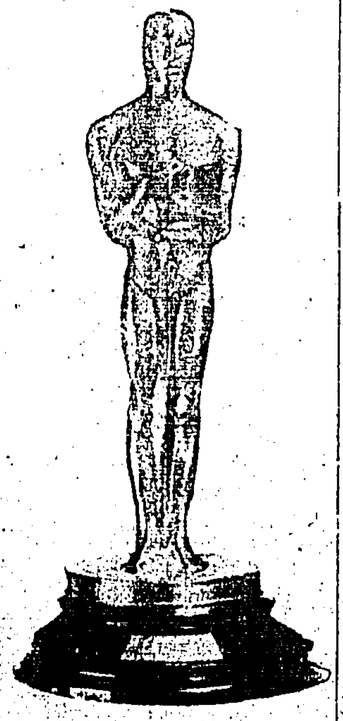


Of interest to Hongkong's cinema public is this photo, taken recently in the offices of the King's Theatre when Mr. Johs. Albeck, Far Eastern Supervisor of Columbia Pictures Corporation, signed a big contract with the management of the Theatre for the exhibition of the latest Columbia Pictures, including the best film of 1938, Frank Capra's "You Can't Take It With You," which is scheduled to be shown this week-end. Seated from left to right are: Mr. Johnston Wong, Branch Manager of Columbia, Mr. C. H. Liang, Managing Director of the King's Theatre, Mr. Johs. Albeck, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. K. L. Chang, Mr. George Sun, Directors of the King's Theatre.—*King's Studio.*

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WEEK-END FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The following is the local Football League schedule for the coming week-end:

SATURDAY, APR. 8

Senior Shield Final

South China "A" v. Police (Club), 4 p.m. Referee, Omar. Linesmen, Goss and Ip.

Junior Shield Final

Middlesex v. Royal Scots (Club), 2.15 p.m. Referee, Stedman. Linesmen, Clarke and Hinchcliffe.

First Division

Royal Scots v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Adlam. Linesmen, Barretto and Somerville.

Tennis Matches Re-Arranged

The following matches in the Hongkong Cricket Club tennis tournament have been rearranged:

To-day.—Handicap Doubles, H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson.

To-morrow.—Club Championship, E. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald. Handicap Singles, T. J. Price v. W. Wooding.

KOWLOON C.C. 2ND. XI

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI in a League cricket match against the Police at Happy Valley on Saturday: W. Mulcahy (Capt.), R. Baldwin, F. A. Broadbridge, A. A. Dand, S. A. Gray, G. A. Goodban, B. D. Lay, W. L. McKenzie, T. A. Madar, R. A. J. Simpson and G. E. Taylor. Umpire, H. Overy. Scorer, A. Wright.

ITALIAN INFLUENCE

English Society Hears Literary Talk

An interesting talk on the influence of Italian on 15th. and 16th. century English literature, was given at the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon by Mrs. M. Allison. It was the sixth and last meeting of the 1938-9 session of the Hongkong branch of the English Association.

Mrs. Allison extensively reviewed the movement of the Renaissance over Europe, and spoke on the influence of explorers like Columbus and Hawkins on literature by the people with whom they made contact.

She showed how Shakespeare had been influenced by the Italian writers of his period.

Indoor Bowling

Competitors Defeat Hopefuls

Playing in the second round, second stage of the Ewo League at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys yesterday, the "Competitors" beat "Mindanao Hopefuls" by 477 points. Scores:

"Mindanao Hopefuls"				
L. J. Attwood ..	118	94	155	367
R. N. Philo	130	108	114	352
S. F. Duknowski .	84	122	108	314
C. F. Watson ..	124	110	111	345
Total				1,378
"Competitors"				
Ernie Hearther .	200	187	165	552
Dick Venezia ...	170	174	159	503
Doc Molthen ...	143	164	120	430
Chas Miller	131	116	117	364
Total				1,855

Three Cities After Louis-Galento Bout States Matchmaker

Miami Beach, Fla., March 1.

Three cities—Chicago, Philadelphia and Jersey City—already have entered strenuous bids for the Joe Louis-Tony Galento heavyweight championship fight in June, the formal announcement of which was made by Promoter Mike Jacobs in a memorable session on the beach here to-day.

"It'll draw over a million dollars any place I hold it," declared Mike, resplendent in red bathing trunks. "And I'm not fooling about staging it outside New York if I get the right sort of an offer."

Sitting right by Mike's warm side at the time was Tom Foley, representing the same Chicago group that bagged the Louis-Jim Braddock tilt. He had been banging away at Mike's ear ever since it became known Monday that Galento, rated the No. 1 challenger by the National Boxing Association, would get the big outdoor shot against the champion.

"We're prepared to guarantee Mike a net sum of at least $400,000," said Foley. "I'm pretty sure he will take us up on it. We'll hold it in Comiskey Park, where we can seat close to 80,000."

GETS PERCENTAGE

Also present and bidding was Herman Taylor, the Philadelphia promoter, who held a five-year lien on Galento's services and with whom Jacobs had to reach a longwinded compromise before he could pit Tony against Louis. Under the arrangement finally signed late last night, Taylor gets what he called a "nice percentage" of the June battle, as well as any other fights Galento might have under Jacobs' promotion in the next five years.

Mike seems to be levelling about taking the scrap out of New York. For one thing, he explained, if the fight is held elsewhere, Mike Jacobs is the sole promoter and pockets all profit. But in New York it would be under the promotion of the Twentieth Century Club, and Mike would have to divvy up with the rest of the boys.

The actual date, of course, will not be announced until the site is settled. But it will be at the very end of June or possibly early in July, because Max Baer and Lou Nova are fighting outdoors for Jacobs on June 10.

Galento, wearing three bathing suits for the occasion, cut up like a water sprite at to-day's reception. He even went into the water after having written fairly legibly on the sand: "Tony Galento, heavyweight champ," and predicted that he would knock Louis winding.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)

divisible—doggerel or doggrel—roll me tangere

dobbin—nomenclature—posh

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on **SATURDAY, 8th and MONDAY, 10th April, 1939,** commencing at **12.30 p.m.** on both days.

The First Bell will be rung at **12 NOON,** and the Tiffin Interval will be after the second race (1 p.m.) on both days.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. **Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.**

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 per day for Gentlemen and $3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at 11 a.m. each day.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

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The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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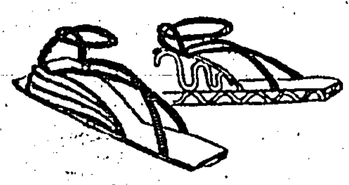
FAIRY TALE EVENING FASHIONS

PARIS.

CRINOLINES—and glass sandals. Could you imagine anything more romantic?

Yet glass sandals such an Cinderella might have envied have tripped their way into the evening fashion story. Fairy slippers they are, made of crystallite, which is unbreakable.

They are fastened to the feet with straps of silver kid, and if you don't want to slip the first time you wear them you just rub sandpaper on the soles.



☆ ★ ☆

NEWEST crinoline frocks are lovely. They're made of clouds of foamy tulle or lace or flowered crepe, and worn over petticoats of lace and chiffon.

Most of the crinoline frocks for young girls have tiny puff sleeves set in their proper place or half-way down the arms to reveal bare shoulders.

Older women have strapless decolletes or tiny shoulder straps.



Dress for the debutante in flowered crepe. The bodice is ruched, and has three matching rows of ruching of the hem.



An evening frock in two colours—fuchsia and mauve.



Evening dress in pink net with black lace apron. The blue satin bow is reminiscent of the chatelaine.

China And Glass Care

CAN you mend broken china and glass-ware? A little knowledge of this type of first-aid is very useful, and, once you have mended a cherished article successfully, you will probably get the fever, and turn out the china cupboard optimistically in search of further material.

Naturally a really bad "case" needs professional treatment, but for an ordinary breakage a home-made cement is all that is needed.

Make this by beating the white of an egg and mixing it with plaster of Paris into a smooth paste. The article should be first washed and the derelict pieces put to warm until dry.

Use a knife to spread the cement, and spread it evenly and moderately. Fix the pieces together again and wipe off any superfluous paste with a damp cloth. Then tie the china up with tape to help to keep the repaired pieces in position, and leave to harden.

Mending Breakages

If you are doctoring a piece of china which has broken in several parts, one piece at a time should be joined on and left to harden before attempting the next. A little oil paint to colour the seams and match the china would be a clever idea if you really mean to make a good job of the repair.

Delicate trifles of china can be repaired with colourless nail varnish. Brush it lightly on to the broken edges and piece together. It will be quite a strong repair and the join will be hardly noticeable.

Even the best china is liable to certain ailments—mildew, for instance. To remove this, make a paste of soft soap, starch, and a little lemon juice. Smooth the infected area with this, leave for twenty-four hours, and then remove.

When your very best china cups are on duty, always pour the milk in first. Otherwise the cup may develop a defect known as "crazing." The symptoms of this are little fine lines which are actually cracks and which play havoc with the appearance of the china.

If a cup does get attacked this way, never store it anywhere damp, as ugly dark marks are liable to appear round the tiny cracks.

Careful Storing

Remember that the best china needs careful storing. Tissue paper sandwiched in between plates and saucers will prevent scratches. If the china is stored on shelves instead of in a cupboard, wrap each pile in transparent paper. This will keep out dust, and there will be no unwrapping to get at certain pieces.

What about glassware? This, too, can be doctored at home. Alum mends glass beautifully. Melt a little in a metal spoon, and watch that the broken edges of the derelict piece are quite free from dust before applying it. Actually, repaired articles of this type can be safely washed afterwards.

Then did you know that waterglass, just as it comes from the tin, will also do the trick? Paint the waterglass on to the broken edges carefully, and leave to dry. This "convalescent" will stand ordinary light work, but no hot water for it, please!

If you panic at the thought of washing any mended glassware, clean it with methylated spirit. Use a piece of cotton wool, and for hollows and niches excavate with a very soft brush dipped in the spirit.

Madge Whitley



The hooded jacket and full circular skirt of of wide striped woollen in shades of brown with a blouse of white looped mohair make a grand outfit to wear aboard ship.

Should A Husband Tell?

A HOUSE-to-house canvass in England has revealed that many wives do not know how much their husbands earn.

As one husband who has never kept a financial secret from his wife, I am prepared to concede that there is a lot to be said for the opposite angle, and if I were starting married life anew I should keep all news of my earnings to myself.

Actually, the practice of concealing income from a wife is more common among the rich than among the poor. The wives of wealthy men rarely know to within £10,000 the amount of their husbands' incomes. There is no reason why they should. They receive an ample allowance are never short of money, and the exact amount the husband receives every year is no business of the wife.

Among the poorer classes, where the margin is very small, the husband is often forced to reveal his income in self defence as an "empty-pocket" illustration of his inability to make ends meet.

Not a Mean Trait

It is a mistake to think that husbands withhold information about their income because they are mean. Often the opposite is the case, and women who have accidentally discovered their husbands' earnings have also discovered that their housekeeping allowance was a higher proportion of the total than most women receive.

Nor does a husband's silence protect him from arguments with his wife about the amount of her allowance. The wife who does not know is far more likely to ask for more than the wife who does know. Imagination always adds a pound or so a week to the husband's presumed income.

One reason why husbands do not tell their wives is because women will talk. If a wife knows her husband's income, it is almost certain that her friends (and their husbands) know it too.

When two wives start confiding in each other, the amount of a husband's income is quite a minor secret. In many instances, husbands occupy a position in which it is undesirable for their colleagues and friends to know the amount of their earnings and as a requisite, almost a primary, step in the maintenance of this secrecy they have to withhold the information from their wives.

Little Advantage to Wives

What good does it do a wife to know the amount her husband earns? From my experience, very little. If there is any financial worrying to be done, it certainly does not help to have two people worrying over the same problem.

Wives are more easily alarmed over financial difficulties than husbands and the man has the added burden of having to pacify his wife. If there are no financial difficulties, there is nothing for either partner to worry about, and there is no reason why a wife should know what her husband's income is.

In theory it is a very fine idea to start off married life on a basis of perfect mutual confidence, share and share alike, what's mine is yours, and so on, but in practice there is no benefit gained.

Wives are better off without this interesting piece of information, although many of them do not realise it.

D. C. J.

SHORT CUTS

When adding cream or milk to mashed potatoes make sure to scald it first.

Always use freshly boiled water in making coffee. Water which has remained in a heater for any length of time becomes flat tasting and is certain to spoil an otherwise good cup of coffee.

Bride Mines Ring

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The Joys Of Middle-Age

SOMEONE has said, "To know how to grow old is the master work of wisdom, and one of the most difficult chapters in the art of living."

Many of us miss the joys of middle-age because we are so afraid of growing old. We won't talk about it and we keep on trying to keep young, and camouflage the fact that our milestones are steadily mounting up.

Yet every age has its own joys, and we can't afford to miss any of them by hanging on to the tails of the joys of a period we are done with.

Nothing is to be gained by trying to look and behave like women who are years younger than we are.

Girls have a good time nowadays, and many mothers are apt to feel a bit envious when they remember how their own precious girlhood was wasted.

If they worked for their living it was often at something intensely uninteresting. If they stayed at home they did uninteresting jobs and had very little money to spend.

Nevertheless middle age has many more pleasures than it used to have some years ago, so why spoil one's middle age by harking back to the memory of days which can never be ours again?

A Time of Happiness

Middle age should be a joyous time for married women for they are free of the worry of bringing up children. Their families are probably making their way in the world and settling down in homes of their own.

Then there is a chance to cultivate a hobby. Many women have longed for a garden all their lives, and suddenly find it is possible to have one and devote time to caring for it. And just think of the joy there is in a garden!

Perhaps while their children were young they had little time for making friends, but when the children need their care no longer they can pick up the threads of past friendships.

They are sure to find that some old friends have dropped out of their lives simply because, like themselves, they have had too much to do. And very soon they will find that they have many interests in common.

Middle age can be just as romantic and happy as youth if it is approached in the right spirit.

M. W.



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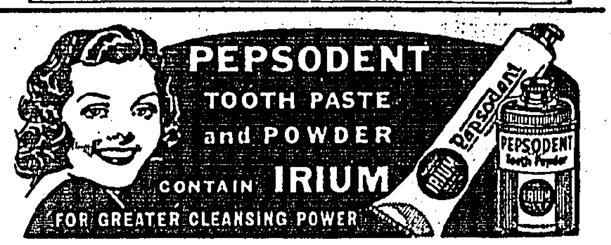
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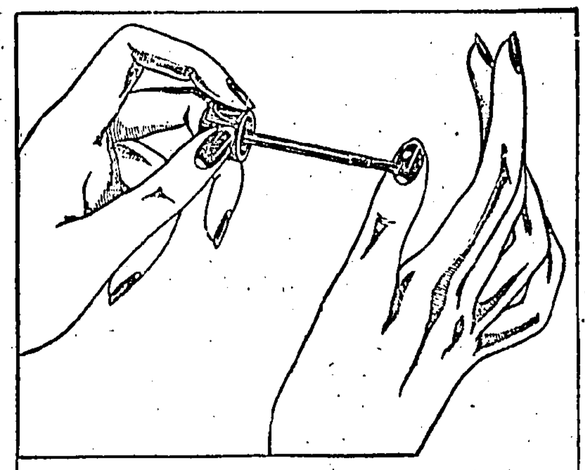
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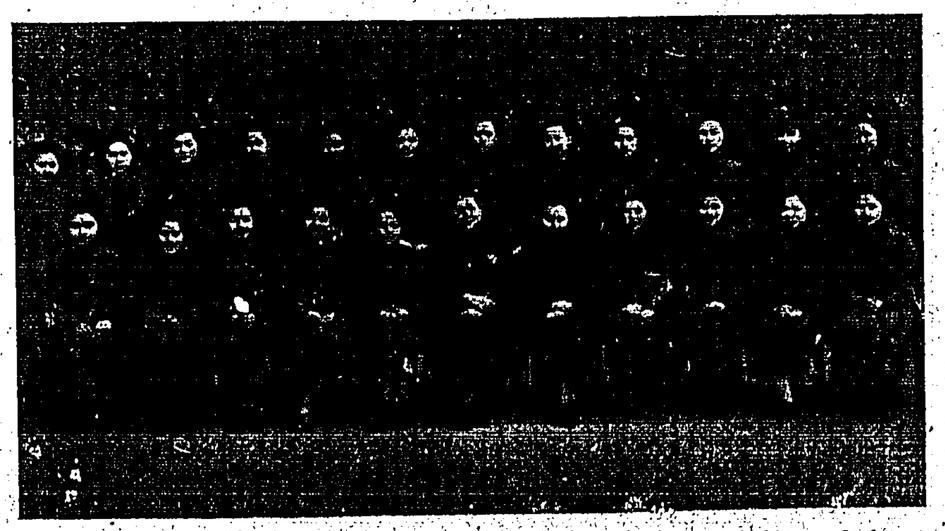
Miss Ethel Mudd arriving at St. Andrew's Church with Captain F. Sale, for her recent marriage to Mr. W. H. G. Hirst.—*King's Studio.*



Members of the Choir of the St. Paul's Girls' College photographed recently.—*King's Studio.*



Lady Northcote and her son, Mr. M. A. S. Northcote sailed for Home by the s.s. "Chitral" on Sunday. Lady Northcote and Mr. Northcote are seen above at Queen's Pier bidding farewell to friends.—*Photonews.*



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Social Items

The Consul General for Panama and Mrs. J. Rivera Reyes left yesterday for Manila, by the President Coolidge to spend the Holy-Week there. They will return by the Empress of Canada next Wednesday.

* * *

There will be two dance bands playing on the occasion of the Society for the Protection of Children's Ball on Friday, April 14, Art Carneiro and his Boys and the Dance Band of the 1st. Bn. The Royal Scots. Also, a Cabaret has been arranged by Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

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Among the arrivals from Kobe on the Potsdam were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jurgens, who were married in Kobe last month. Mr. Jurgens is the March of Time cameraman, and after spending a few months in Hongkong, they plan to return to the United States.

* * *

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Roger and their two sons will arrive here on the Antenor. Mr. Roger has been transferred from the Kobe to the Hongkong office of Butterfield and Swire. Mr. D. C. Brodie is replacing Mr. Roger in the Kobe office.

* * *

Women are stronger than men, according to Dr. Lester F. Beck, professor of psychology at the University of Oregon. He said, "Had the Dionne quintuplets been born males instead of females, they would not have lived."

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

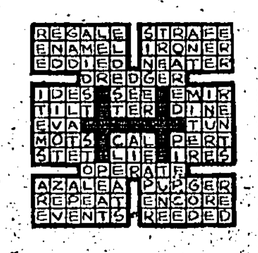
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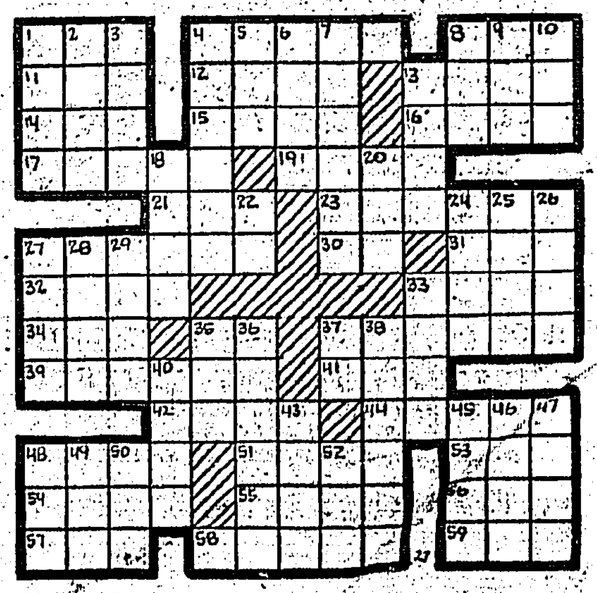
1—Unprecedented
6—Carries
8—Cattle fodder
11—Philippine negrito
12—Otherwise
13—At this place
14—Prefix: above
15—Persian Gulf port
16—Vanes
17—Him or her (proposed)
19—Essence of flowers
21—Insect
23—Most competent
27—In opposition to
29—French article
31—Curved Burmese knife
32—Norse goddess of destiny
33—Farinaceous food
34—Hebrew deities
35—Note of scale
37—Medicine-man
39—Cotton pest
41—Rocky pinnacle
42—Pilaster opposite another
44—His or hers (proposed)
46—One of Sunda Isles
51—Sea of Turkestan
53—Hail
54—Solar disk
55—Outer coat
56—Go to right
57—Busy insect
58—Employment
59—Terminate

DOWN

1—Fashion leader of Bath
2—Sewing basket
3—Heated
4—Pertaining to Pyrenees department
5—Olden times
6—At sea
7—Price of use
8—That girl
9—Alder-tree (Scottish)
10—Affirmative answer
12—Throw
18—Receive as wages
20—Lincoln's nickname
22—Tellurium
24—Dutch cheese
25—Ancient epic
26—He, she, or it (proposed)
27—Once more
28—European meadow mouse
29—Gaelic
33—Garment of Hindu women
35—Limb of fish
36—Place of worship
37—Street (abbr.)
38—Hindu spring festival
40—Unprofitable
43—Melody
45—Wise man
46—Equal
47—Coarse grass
48—Barbara
49—Devoured
50—Sheltered side
52—Anglico (abbr.)

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ed all its clients that in "national interests," Lord Stanhope's statement should, in no circumstances, be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

"Warm" Welcome

London, Apr. 4.

Lobby circles understand that the question will be raised in the House of Commons to-morrow regarding Earl Stanhope's speech at Portsmouth.

According to the fullest reports which can be obtained here to-night, Earl Stanhope's speech included: "Shortly before I left the Admiralty it became necessary to give orders to man anti-aircraft guns in the Fleet so as to be ready for anything that might happen.

"Long before the guests came aboard this ship sixteen anti-aircraft guns could have given a warm welcome to anyone who happened this way."—*United Press.*

"We Will Let Them Know"

Southampton, Apr. 4.

After launching the destroyer Kashmir to-day, the Commander-in-Chief of Portsmouth, the Earl of Cork, said: "Recently the Germans have been jeering at the citizens of this country, saying that we can produce machines of war but that we cannot produce men to man them.

"We will let them know all about that when the time comes."—*United Press.*

NEW CLASH ON BORDER

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pieces launched another attack on the Manchoukuo patrols near the locale of the previous incident at 11.00 o'clock on Monday morning. The Soviet artillery position situated to the south of the Soviet barracks at Liuchien was also provided with one heavy machine-gun, three light machine-guns and ten bomb-throwers.

The Soviet forces were subsequently strengthened to include 80 cavalrymen and 80 artillerymen with two heavy machine-guns and three field-pieces. The latest dispatches said that both sides were still facing each other across the border line.

Detailed information was not available yet, but it was believed that the Manchoukuo side also has sustained a number of casualties in the series of clashes since Sunday.—*Domei.*

Britain Warns Mussolini

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although the Government has officially denied the rumours that Italy is planning to move towards Albania.

Unconfirmed reports say that some Italian air squadrons have landed in Albania.

The Albanian Government has issued an official communique denying that Italian troops are moving towards Albania.—*United Press.*

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Vancouver yesterday.

China's Budget

Big Increase, But Smaller Than Japan's

Chungking, Apr. 4.

Financial circles say that the general budget of the Chinese Government for the present fiscal year, January 1 to December 31, totals 2,850,000,000 yuan as compared with 1,200,000,000 yuan in 1936 pre-war budget.

It is said that the figures for 1937 of 2,100,000,000 and for 1938 of 2,400,000,000 yuan, as well as this year's figures, are less than half the Japanese Government budget for the respective years.—*United Press.*

LICENSING BOARD

Mr. Cassidy Wins Seat Of Unofficial Justices

Mr. P. S. Cassidy will take the seat on the Licensing Board vacated by Mr. G. S. Archbutt.

In the election yesterday, confined to the Unofficial Justices of the Peace, Mr. Cassidy received 55 votes. His opponent, Mr. C. M. Manners, received 23.

Polling took place in the Urban Council offices between 4 and 6 p.m., Mr. R. A. D. Forrest, First Police Magistrate, being the presiding officer. It was especially interesting as being the first election ever held for the Licensing Board. Hitherto there has been no competition, the seats being filled by nomination.

Out of the 160 or more Unofficial Justices of the Peace on the list, 78 exercised their privilege of voting. Some are on leave.

Of yesterday's candidates, Mr. Cassidy was nominated by Messrs F. C. Hall and W. H. Lock, while Mr. Manners was sponsored by Mr. B. Wylie and Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada e Castro, Junr. (Kowloon Residents' Association).

IRAQ MOURNERS ASSASSINATE BRITISH CONSUL

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ordered 40 days of national mourning.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Serious View In Paris

Paris, Apr. 4.

A very serious view is taken in Paris of the political consequences of the death of King Ghazi of Iraq.

France, being a mandatory Power of the neighbouring State of Syria, is particularly interested in developments especially as France takes half of her oil supplies from Iraq.

Reports state that the death of King Ghazi coincides with grave unrest in Iraq. Several revolutionary plots have been discovered recently. In one case the conspirators had planned to assassinate 50 high army officers and Government officials.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Flags Half Mast

Telegraphic information has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of His late Majesty King Ghazi of Iraq will take place to-day.

All flags on Government buildings and launches in Hongkong will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset.

Arab Defections Denied

London, Apr. 4.

Reports have appeared in a Beirut newspaper that there had been resignations from the Arab armed forces in Trans-Jordan. Such reports are incorrect. The only Arab armed forces in Trans-Jordan are the Arab Legion and the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force. From neither have there been any resignations.—*British Wireless.*

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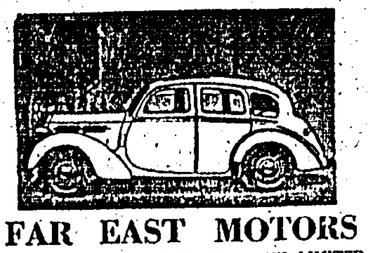
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BRITAIN'S WARNING TO MUSSOLINI

PARIS, APR. 5.

DIPLOMATIC ADVICES FROM ALBANIA REPORT THAT ITALIAN TROOPS WILL POSSIBLY LAND IN ALBANIA TO-DAY OR TO-MORROW.

The report states that the Albanians rejected the original proposals by Signor Mussolini that the country should be peacefully occupied.

Since then, however, King Zog is stated to have withdrawn his objections.—*United Press.*

BRITAIN OBJECTS

LONDON, Apr. 4.—Great Britain has indirectly warned Italy that any infringement of Albania's integrity would violate the 1938 Anglo-Italian friendship agreement.—*United Press.*

Italian Influence Not Welcome

London, Apr. 4.

It has been learned that Albania has informally notified Britain that there is no truth in the Italian rumours that King Zog asked Italy to assume Albania as a protectorate.

Albania has intimated that they will not welcome any further extension of Italian influence.—*United Press.*

"New Problems"

Rome, Apr. 5.

According to reports from political circles, King Zog of Albania has asked for the Albanian armaments to be brought up to date, in view of the "new problems created by recent events in Europe."

Mussolini, in return, is reported to have stated that he is disposed in the meantime to abrogate Article 3 of the alliance with Britain, which would enable detachments of Italy's air, land, and sea forces to move into Albania."—*United Press.*

Violation Of Treaty

London, Apr. 4.

Reports that military action against Albania is imminent, and that Italy has planned to create an Italian protectorate over Albania, are not confirmed in a semi-official statement issued in London to-day.

The statement recalls that in King Victor Emmanuel's speech on March 23, Albania was among the enumerated nations with whom Italy maintained friendly relations.

Attention was further drawn to the Anglo-Italian declaration of January 22, 1937, in which both countries recognise the sovereignty of the countries bordering the Mediterranean Sea.

This express recognition of the *status quo* had been confirmed once again in the Anglo-Italian agreement of April 16, 1938. Any Italian steps, therefore, which would prejudice Albanian sovereignty, England would regard as a violation of the treaty. The British Government saw no reason to assume that Italy would undertake such a step.—*Trans-Ocean.*

German-Italian Preparations

Rome, Apr. 4.

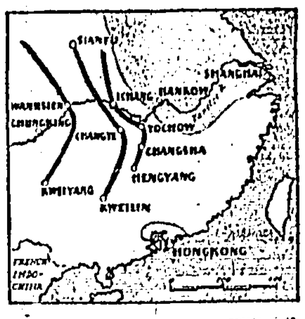
Diplomatic sources here have reported indications of joint German and Italian military preparations to meet any democratic attempt to encircle the Reich.

Italy has apparently been carrying out a series of mysterious movements of land, sea and air forces coincident with the shifting of the crack Alpine troops headquarters from Rome to Trento between the French and Jugo-Slavia frontiers, together with the reported movement of German heavy artillery to Italy.

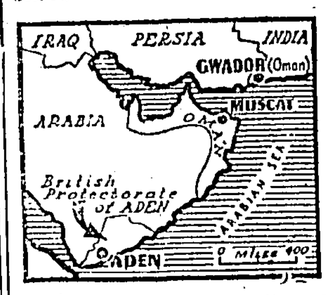
Reliable sources state that Italy has concentrated troops at Brindisi

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MAPS TELL THE NEWS



DESIGN FOR WAR: With the help of Russian engineers Chiang Kai-shek has built three lines of fortifications to break the Japanese advance up the valley of the Yangtse. They make his wartime capital, Chungking, up beyond the Yangtse gorges, accessible only from the air.



GOOD NEIGHBOURS: India and Britain have signed a trade friendship and navigation treaty with Oman, key independent Sultanate in the Persian Gulf oil area. It succeeds a first treaty signed in 1891.

India sells rice to Oman, takes dates and pomegranates in return.

NAVY MANS A.A. GUNS

"Prepared For Anything"

A SENSATIONAL report is issued by "Trans-Ocean" to the effect that when a naval propaganda film was shown on board the aircraft-carrier Royal Oak yesterday evening, a large number of seats reserved for officers were vacant because they had received dramatic orders at the last moment to stand by their anti-aircraft guns "prepared for anything that might happen."

The report states that guests aboard the Royal Oak for the film performance were startled by an announcement made by Lord Stanhope, First Lord of the Admiralty, that a number of guests could not attend because shortly before he had left the Admiralty, it had become necessary to issue an order for all anti-aircraft guns in the navy to be manned and "prepared for anything which might happen."

Lord Stanhope further declared that the navy always takes precautionary measures, and was always prepared.

At the time Lord Stanhope made this announcement, many seats which had been reserved for naval officers at the film performance were empty.

The officers were at the time manning their anti-aircraft stations.

Although the statement created a sensation among the audience, the performance continued according to schedule.

Later the Press Association inform-

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"THE ENGLISH KILLED OUR KING"

IRAQ MOURNERS ASSASSINATE BRITISH CONSUL

A SHOCKING aftermath to the news of King Ghazi's death occurred at Mosul, Iraq yesterday, when the British Consul, Mr. C. E. A. C. Monckmason, was assassinated by four men, following agitations by a crowd of mourners near the Consulate that the King of Iraq had been murdered by the British.

A "Reuter" message from Baghdad says that Mr. Monckmason died from bullet wounds. Revolvers were fired at him during a demonstration following news of King Ghazi's death.

Afterwards the British Consulate was set on fire.

Martial law was immediately proclaimed in Mosul, and order was restored a few hours later.

Agitators At Work

Official London quarters state that agitators worked up a crowd of mourners in the neighbourhood of the Consulate into a passion by declaring that King Ghazi had been murdered by the English.

Four men then allegedly fired revolver shots at the British Consul, killing him. They were later arrested and will be tried by a special court.

The Prime Minister of Iraq called on the British *Charge d'Affaires* in Baghdad during the afternoon and expressed the Iraq Government's regrets.

He added that the incident had been a terrible shock to himself.—*Reuter.*

STONED TO DEATH

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is now understood that Mr. Monckmason was stoned to death on the steps of the British Consulate at Mosul, while attempting to pacify the angry mob.—*Reuter.*

Succession Mystery

Cairo, Apr. 4.

It is by no means certain, according to latest despatches from Iraq, that the four-year-old son of King Ghazi will succeed his father, who was killed to-day in a motoring accident.

The choice may fall on Emir Zeid, the youngest son of King Hussein, and the uncle of King Ghazi.

Emir Zeid, who is said to be pro-British in his political outlook, was at one time Iraq Minister to Berlin. His son was recently named as the most likely candidate for the throne of Syria in the event of the realisation of British and French plans in this direction.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Four-year-old Son To Reign

Baghdad, Apr. 4.

The successor to the late King Ghazi, who was killed in an automobile accident to-day, was proclaimed to-night to be Crown Prince Feisal, four-year-old son of the King, who was born on May 2, 1935.

The new king will reign under the name of Feisal.

Prince Abdul Ilah has been appointed Regent.

The Iraq Council of Ministers decided to place the exercise of sovereignty rights in the hands of the National Assembly until the final regulation of the terms of the Regency is known.

The Council of Ministers have also

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NEW COLD RECORD

Colony Freezes In Winter Wave

YESTERDAY'S weather record proved short-lived.

At seven o'clock this morning, the temperature at the Royal Observatory dropped to 50.4 degrees, creating a new all-time minimum mercury recording for the month of April.

Previous to yesterday, when the temperature dropped to 51.7, the lowest recording was on April 4, 1905, when the temperature dropped to 51.8.

This morning's minimum brings the April minimum record down by over a degree.

The lowest temperature ever recorded in Hongkong is 32 degrees, set on two occasions in our meteorological history, both peculiarly enough at the beginning and end of 1893—on January 18 and December 18.

This morning's minimum of 50.4 degrees is over ten degrees below the minimum for April last year, and exactly 17 degrees below the mean temperature for the fourth month of the year.

It represents a fall of over 30 degrees in temperature since Sunday.

A meteorological official on the Peak told the "Telegraph" that the temperature there fell to 43 degrees at 7 o'clock this morning.

This is how the mercury has fallen since yesterday:

1 p.m.	54.7	1 a.m.	50.9	7 a.m.	50.4
6 p.m.	53.3	2 a.m.	51.9	8 a.m.	51.7
8 p.m.	52.5	4 a.m.	51.9	9 a.m.	52.2
10 p.m.	51.9	5 a.m.	51.6	10 a.m.	52.9
12 a.m.	51.7	6 a.m.	50.9		

The difference between maximum and minimum during the past 48 hours has varied by only four degrees.

The cold spell is likely to continue

Hail Falls In Kunming

Kunming, Apr. 5.

Hail fell in Kunming for about ten minutes yesterday morning. The mercury dropped to 55 degrees.—*Central News.*

U.S. DEBT SOARS

Passes 40 Billions For First Time

Washington, Apr. 4.

The United States Treasury statement reveals that the Federal debt reached the all-time peak of approximately $40,038,000,000 on April 1.

This is the first time the debt has exceeded forty billion dollars.—*United Press.*

JACK BENNY SENTENCED

NEW YORK, Apr. 4.—Shamefaced and flushed, Jack Benny the radio and screen star, pleaded guilty in the Federal Court to the charge of jewel smuggling.

He received a suspended sentence of a year and a day, together with a fine of $10,000.—*United Press.*



HON. MR. R. M. HENDERSON, who is leaving Hongkong to-morrow by the Boissevain. Mr. Henderson is going on leave, prior to retirement.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE FRONT TO BE SET UP

LONDON, Apr. 4.

BRITAIN IS CONSIDERING a plan for strengthening the peace front by a system of strategic military consultations with other nations.

The Secretary for War, Mr. Leslie Hore-Belisha, revealed in the House of Commons to-day that the British General Staff is entering into consultations with France, Poland and other countries entering the anti-aggression bloc with the effect of creating an "international military Board of Strategy."

Mr. Hore-Belisha told Brigadier General Edward L. Spears that the Government was calling on 16,000 reservists to receive training in new weapons and tactical formations, to enable them "to meet immediate requirements in the event of emergency."

POLISH OFFER

The London developments included Britain's acceptance of the Polish Foreign Minister's offer to turn the British pledge of aid to Poland into a two-way pact designed to strengthen the anti-aggression front.

Secondly, Britain is scheduled to join in talks with Rumania in accordance with King Carol's fresh instructions regarding Britain's offer of a pledge to aid Rumania.

Thirdly, the President of the Board of Trade has announced that a British Trade Mission will proceed to Rumania within a fortnight in an effort to offset the prospect of German economic and political domination.

Fourthly, the British Secretary for War has announced that Britain is creating a new mechanised fighting corps, presumably for use on the Continent in the event of war.—*United Press.*

RECIPROCAL PACT WITH POLAND

London, Apr. 4.

Colonel Josef Beck's visit to the Foreign Office to-day lasted until lunch time.

Although particulars are as yet unavailable, it is expected that

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U.S. TO DOUBLE ARMY AIR FLEET

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

LAUNCHING the Air Corps programme to-day, the Army Department has set an immediate objective for the delivery of the Army planes within two years.

The President yesterday signed the National Defence Bill expanding the Army Air Corps to 6,000 planes.

The Army Department said that the fastest of the new types ordered would be capable of 400 miles per hour.

The War Department's Mr. Louis Johnson has announced that contracts will be awarded for 550 combat planes immediately after the President's signature to the War Department Appropriation Bill.—*United Press.*

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U.S. Neutrality

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.

Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has announced that Mr. Henry Stimson will be the first witness called to the Committee's hearings on Wednesday when proposals for the amendment of the American Neutrality Law will be heard.

Mr. Bernard Baruch, the political economist and financier, will be called as witness on Thursday.—*United Press.*

Committee Appointed

Washington, Apr. 4.

The House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee has appointed a sub-committee of seven to consider a possible amendment to the Neutrality Act.

The sub-committee will begin re-hearings, and Mr. Sumner Welles, the assistant Secretary of State, is expected to be the first witness.—*Reuter.*

Hudson Back In London

Hints At Successful Tour Of Europe

LONDON, Apr. 4.

Mr. R. S. Hudson, head of the overseas department of the British Board of Trade, returned by air to London to-day from his visits to Warsaw, Moscow, Stockholm and Helsingfors.

He hurried back as soon as his business in Stockholm was concluded, in order to meet Colonel Beck before the Foreign Minister's departure from London.

In an interview with press representatives at Croydon, Mr. Hudson said that during his long journey he had conducted no political negotiations. However, it was a matter of course that in meeting leading men of the countries, he had discussed the international political situation.

Mr. Hudson said that everywhere he found keen interest in Britain's re-armament efforts, and he also referred to the industrial delegations from Finland and Sweden which would shortly be visiting England.

In this connection he was convinced the present moment was particularly appropriate for Britain to try and improve her trade relations with the Scandinavian countries.

He intimated that during the next 24 hours, details as to the success or failure of his mission would be made known to the public.—*Trans-Ocean.*

HINES ON BAIL

New York, Apr. 4.

James Hines, convicted on charges of political graft, has been allowed out on bail of $35,000 pending his appeal against the verdict.—*Reuter.*

PACIFIC DEFENCES

Canadians Seek Alliances

Ottawa, Apr. 4.

THE CONSERVATIVE Member of Parliament for Vancouver, Mr. Howard Green, has advised the Canadian Government to seek immediately defence alliances between Great Britain and the United States for British possessions in the Pacific.

He described the present policy of making no military commitments as a "delusion and a snare."

He said Canada should have participated in the recent Pacific Defence Conference with New Zealand because she is partly dependent upon the Singapore base and the fleets of her sister dominions for protection in the Pacific.—*United Press.*

NEW CLASH ON BORDER

Frontier Patrols Exchange Fire

TOKYO, Apr. 4.

JAPANESE REPORT that fresh clashes have taken place on the Manchukuo - Soviet border.

Twenty-three Soviet soldiers are stated to have entered Manchukuo and fired on frontier patrols, who returned the fire.

Later Soviet troops were reported to be reinforced by about 40 soldiers with two machine guns.

After three hours of fighting the Russians were stated to have retired.

The next day the Soviet attack was reported to have resumed on a larger scale, and both sides are now said to be facing each other, and the atmosphere is described as extremely tense.

Manchukuo guards are said to have suffered casualties.—*Reuter.*

Tension Prevails

Harbin, Apr. 5.

A tense situation prevails on the Soviet-Manchoukuo frontier following a series of fresh clashes between the hostile frontier guards since last Sunday, according to dispatches from the frontier outposts.

A group of 23 Soviet troops "illegally crossed the border" into Manchoukuo territory at a point near Liuchian in Sanho District in the western part of North Hsingnan Province at 3.30 p.m. on Sunday.

Subjected to unprovoked attack, the Manchoukuo patrols were forced to return the Soviet fire. The Soviet forces were immediately reinforced by about 40 additional troops with two light machine-guns.

After three hours of fighting, the Soviet forces retired into their own territory. No casualties were suffered by the Manchoukuo forces.

Monday Attack

Following Sunday's clash, about 70 Soviet troops armed with artillery

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LATEST

Anglo-Polish Alliance

LONDON, Apr. 5.

THE LONDON BUREAU of the Associated Press reports that the visiting Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Joseph Beck, has proposed to Premier Chamberlain that by extending the spirit of the proposed British unilateral assistance to Poland, a mutually binding military alliance should be concluded between Great Britain and Poland.

The Polish Foreign Minister is further understood to have expressed the readiness of the Polish Government to undertake the obligations for military assistance to other Powers than Great Britain subject to sufficient guarantee by Great Britain.

Foreign Minister Beck, the Associated Press further points out, is believed to have definitely declared in this connection, however, that Poland will not be able to assume responsibility for assisting the Soviet Union.

The possibility of an Anglo-Polish military alliance was understood to have been the most important topic when Prime Minister Chamberlain, accompanied by Lord Halifax, the Foreign Secretary, received the visiting Polish Foreign Minister in a two-hour interview at 5 p.m. Tuesday.—*Domei.*

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When Goering Goes Slimming

HOTEL TURNS OUT 27 JEWISH GUESTS

SAN REMO (Italy).

TWENTY-SEVEN Italian Jews staying at the Royal Hotel, San Remo, were asked to leave before the arrival on holiday of Field-Marshal Goering, his wife and a party of fifteen officers and secretaries.

Several of the Jews had been clients of the hotel for many years. They were told: "Please leave. It will avoid embarrassment to the visiting Minister and to yourselves."

Field-Marshal Goering is taking a slimming cure, so that, although he brought five limousines with him from Germany, he spends most of his time walking either along the sea front or in the hills.

Detectives are never far away. They followed him as he walked along the promenade with his actress wife. He wore a dark grey, double-breasted suit, and already looks thinner than recent photographs showed him to be.

Twice he has visited the gambling casino, but even there no one is allowed near him.

One of the staff said: "He will see no one. Any one who disturbs him will get into trouble."

Though Goering is "strictly on holiday." It is understood that Marshal Badoglio, Mussolini's chief-of-staff, will be in San Remo to see him. Count Ciano, Mussolini's son-in-law, is also expected.

The resort is a mass of colour in honour of the visit. Nazi and Fascist flags and emblems fly from every window.

Make-Up Valued At £50

THE value of make-up to a woman has been assessed by Deemster R. D. Farrant, Senior Judge of the Manx High Court, at £50.

Phyllis Winstanley, aged 24, told the Deemster that she was employed last summer by Messrs. G. N. Gore, Ltd., of Douglas, in the rolling of Isle of Man rock.

She alleged that the flour off the table gave her dermatitis and she cannot now use make-up.

Medical witnesses said she would not be able to attend dances, as chalk used on the floor for polishing would affect her skin.

Messrs. Gore, without admitting liability, offered £50, and £10 10s. costs, in settlement.

The Deemster, who had reserved his decision, approved the settlement recently.

Frayed Cuffs Curbed

LEIPZIG.

A new chemically treated linen has been developed to prevent the raveling of shirt collars and cuffs. The insertion is sewed between the layers of the shirt material, and in a demonstration at the Leipzig Fair it was shown to keep the cloth from fraying.

Nine Persons Live In English Village

London.

WHAT is believed to be the smallest village in England is Eldon, in Hampshire, which has a population of nine and whose oldest inhabitant is thirty-three. There are three houses. The nearest post box is four miles away. Only one wedding and one christening have ever taken place in the tiny church. Once a week a policeman cycles through the village to see that all is well, and once a day the postman rides up—if there are any letters.

Music Wherever He Goes—In Stockings

PIPE-MAJOR LEWIS BEATON, President of the Scottish Piping Society of London, wears a pair of stockings into the turnover of which has been knitted a complete pipe tune.

He was wearing his stockings at the seventh Annual Piping Competition of the Scottish Piping Society at the London Scottish headquarters, Buckingham Gate, recently.

"They were knitted for me by Miss Kerr, of Lairg, Sutherland," Pipe-Major Beaton said at the competition.

"The tune is 'MacCrimmon's Sweetheart,' and it is all there, the groundwork of the tune and the first and second variations.

"I could play the tune from my stockings, if I had to," he said, "but I always play from memory."

Piping enthusiasts came to London on Saturday from all over the country to hear famous performers on the "piob-mhor"—the great pipe.

Secretary for Scotland, Colonel John Colville, a competent amateur piper, was an interested member of the audience.

THE KING'S PIPERS

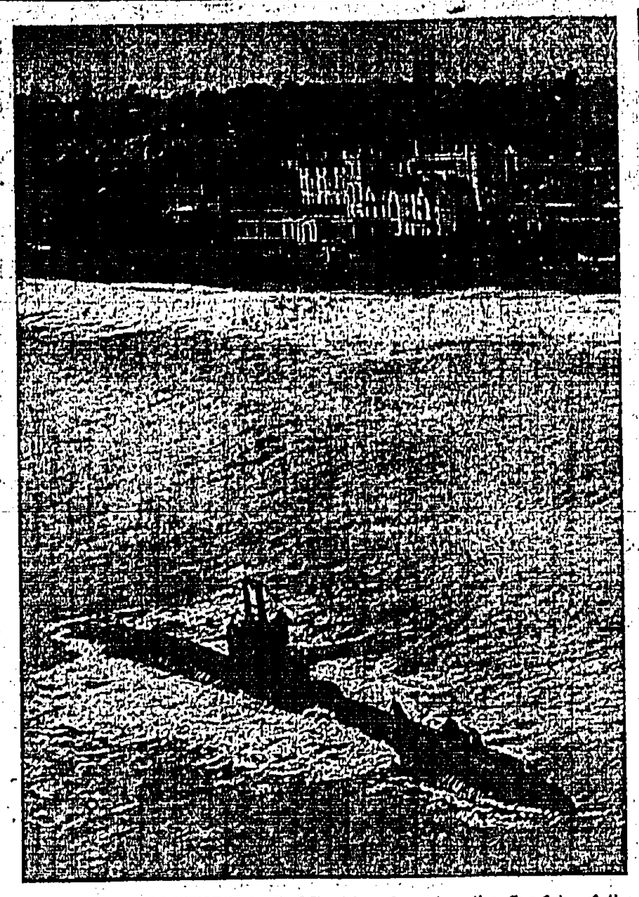
Mr. R. B. Nicol, the King's piper at Balmoral, won the Bratach Gorm, the replica of the blue banner of the MacCrimmons, and Mr. R. N. Brown, another Balmoral piper, the open competition for piobaireachd.

Real champion of the competition was Pipe-Major Robert Reid, of the Highland Light Infantry, who won the medal for the highest aggregate of points. He also won the silver star for open march, strathspey and reel.

Incongruous figures among the kilted competitors were the boy pipers of the Royal Air Force in trousers.

"We are getting our kilts at the end of the month," said an aircraftman.

"We hear they are to be Air Force blue."



CAUGHT IN A SOUTHERLY GALE, this submarine, the *Sunfish*, of the 5th Submarine Flotilla, ran aground in Sandown Bay, Isle of Wight, recently and heavy seas beat over her before she was finally re-floated just before midnight.

Some Shop-Girls Worse Off Than Zoo Animals

I am pretty healthy and used to the hot air in the House of Commons, but if I go into a bargain basement I can stay only a few minutes, because I feel I would faint.

IN such Parliamentary language a woman M.P. pictured in the House recently the conditions in which some shop assistants have to work.

She was Mrs. Hardie, the Labour member for Springburn (Glasgow), and, having worked 12 hours a day for six days a week as a shop assistant, she should know.

Drapers' shops are much too hot and grocers' too cold, according to Mrs. Hardie, who was speaking on the second reading of the Shop Hours Bill to limit hours to 48 a week and overtime to 50 hours a year.

The Bill was rejected by 135 votes to 114.

Moving the second reading Mr. Leslie (Lab., Sedgefield) said no other occupation consumed the young life of the nation to such an extent.

HAIRDRESSERS' TRIALS

An eminent doctor had said that women shop assistants suffered from varicose veins, flat feet, and all the disabling things which made life a misery. Some worked 64 and 66 hours a week.

Mr. Jagger (Lab., Clayton), seconding, said the Bill would compel the worst employers to do what the best ones were doing by common consent or trade union agreements.

Conditions in the hairdressing trade were protested against by Dr. Edith Summerskill (Lab., Fulham, W.), who said hairdressers were compelled to work sometimes for nearly 60 hours a week in ill-ventilated cubicles but were expected to discuss pleasantly the events of the day.

A BAD SHOPPER—AND WHY

"I am known as a bad shopper," she added, "because invariably I take what is given me rather than keep the suffering shop assistant. When I pay at the cash desk and see the assistants cooped up I reflected that if the Zoo had animals cooped up under such conditions for 60 hours a week we would have an action brought by the R.S.P.C.A."

The Bill was opposed from the Tory benches mainly on the ground that nothing should be done to prejudice the discussions going on between employers and employed.

The same line was taken by Mr. Lennox-Boyd (Parliamentary Secretary, Minister of Labour) who said the Government would give speedy and sympathetic consideration to a striking report which had been received from the joint conference dealing with wages, hours and conditions in the retail distributive trades.

The Bill would cut across the negotiations and report and destroy the harmony so carefully and successfully built up.

EMPIRE NEWS

IMPORT CONTROL IN NEW ZEALAND

Auckland.

Mr. W. Nash, Finance Minister, defended the Government's import control policy in a speech to a special conference of importers at Wellington.

Under the Government's control policy Mr. Nash said the maximum preference was given to Britain. The Government was doing everything possible to reduce difficulties to British manufacturers and others arising from the control plan.

There would be curtailment of unessential imports, Dominion manufacturers having the maximum facilities for the importation of commodities essential for their production.

The import selection would provide facilities for primary production, capital, equipment and raw materials for manufacturing goods to replace imports.

MALAYA

K.C.M.G. FOR SULTAN OF SELANGOR

Kuala Lumpur.

The High Commissioner, Sir Shenton Thomas, invested Sultan Alam Shah, of Selangor, with the insignia of the K.C.M.G. after a State banquet attended by representatives of every Malay Royal house in the Peninsula, as well as representatives of Sumatra and Borneo.

Selangor's Royal town of Klang was filled with visitors from all parts of the State during the Coronation.

The ceremony comprises lustration on a pavilion outside the palace, according to Moslem rites, then the coronation both of the Sultan and Sultana with crown and tiara.

HISTORIC GROUND

SOUTHPORT, Me.

The Southport Yacht Club plans to preserve as an historic shrine the "Old Pine Tree" on the club grounds which served as a landing place for Britishers in the War of 1812.

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(Flotow.) Jan Kirpura. (Sung in German.)
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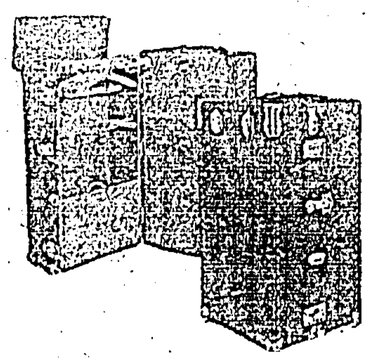
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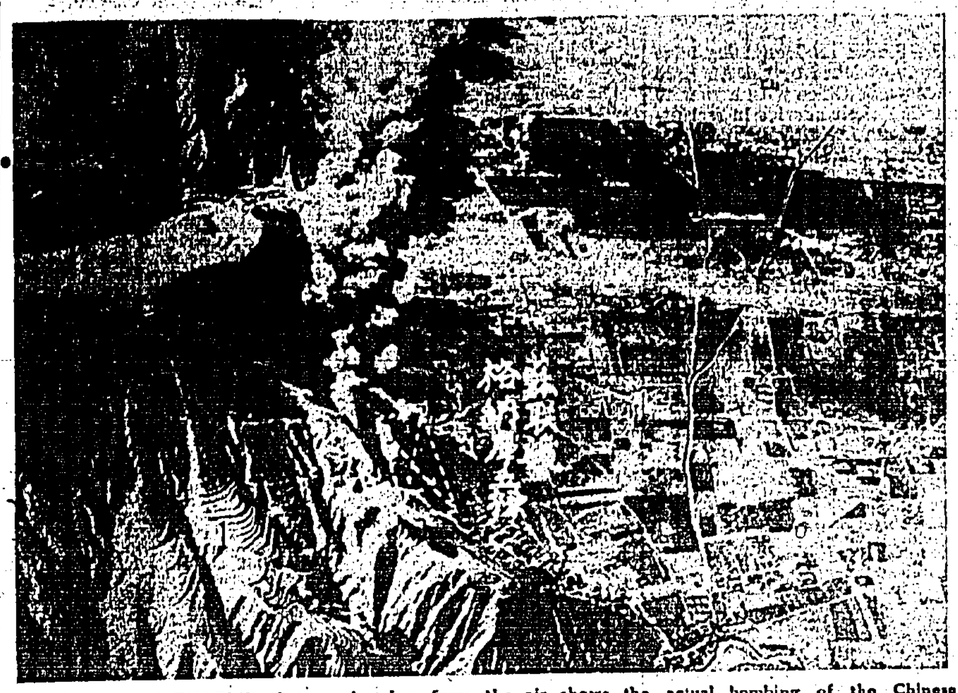
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POLISH ATROCITIES ALLEGED

Direct Hit On Lanchow Aerodrome



THIS REMARKABLE photograph taken from the air shows the actual bombing of the Chinese aerodrome at Lanchow, Kwangsi, on the important Sino-Soviet route. The hangars housing what is claimed to be Russian planes, were located by Japanese reconnaissance planes, tucked away under the protection of a mountain range.

German Villagers Molested

Land Bund Members Arrested

DANZIG, Apr. 4.

NEWS HAS seeped through of the arrest in Dirschau late on Monday night of all the leading members of the Pemerellen section of the German Land Bund.

As far as can be ascertained, no reasons have been given by the Polish authorities in explanation of this action.

The arrested Germans are not being allowed to see anybody, not even their legal representatives.

Apprehension is felt in Danzig, which does an extensive trade with the province of Pomerellen, regarding the intentions which led to the arrests, since the Land Bund is the sole non-party organisation of Germans in the province.

The Land Bund, it is pointed out, is at the same time the trustee of the entire farming industry in that province.

The "Danziger Vorposten" to-day published a report concerning the devastation of an entire village on the Danzig border.

It also reports that there is a hue and cry against everything German in Eggertshuette following an assault upon two Germans who changed to enter a tavern where a Polish Nationalist organisation was holding a meeting.

Fifteen armed Poles passed down the street smashing the windows of houses belonging to Germans, and manhandling those who protested. Many of the villagers took to flight, and some crossed the border into Danzig.

Uniformed Polish officials are said to have made no attempt to restrain the Polish activities.

Reports of atrocities committed against Germans in the Polish Corridor are published in a Bromberg newspaper to-day. A German workshop in Graudenz was wrecked by a group of Poles after the proprietor had refused to remove German books from the shop window. Occurences of a similar nature are reported from other towns in the Corridor.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Cotton Bill May Be Turned Down

Washington, Apr. 4.

The House of Representatives agriculture committee late this week will take up the Bankhead Cotton Bill.

However, some doubt is expressed whether it will be reported favourably.

Meanwhile the Bill's sponsors are disappointed over the Senate action in raising the repossession price to five cents, which is now regarded by many as a mere gesture, offering little inducement to the farmers to curtail production, as they have already started cultivation of acreage.

While there has been no move lately by the Administration to push the export subsidy, presumably owing to the desire to obtain a clearer picture of congressional strength behind the Bankhead Bill, there are many who have no doubt that an export subsidy ultimately will win over the Bankhead Bill.—*Reuter.*

Air Mails Due To-Day

THE CHINA Clipper is expected at Kai Tak this afternoon with 17 passengers from Manila.

The Imperial Airways planes Delta and Delphinus are due at Kai Tak at 4 p.m. with mails from all countries.

G. O. C.'s VISIT TO MACAO

AN OFFICIAL visit to the Acting Governor of Macao, H.E. Commander J. C. R. Coelho, will be paid to-morrow by H.E. Major General A. E. Grasett, General Officer Commanding the British Troops in China.

The G.O.C. will fly his own flag on the gunboat H.M.S. Moth, kindly lent by the Commander-in-Chief for the occasion, and he will leave at 7 a.m., returning late the same day in the Moth.

Accompanying the G.O.C. will be Brigadier General A. B. Thomson, in charge of Administration, and the G.O.C.'s *aide de camp* Lieut. R.E.T. St. John.

On arrival in Macao, the party will be greeted by Capt. Marcedo Pinto, A.D.C. to the Acting Governor, Colonel Luis Lello, Chief of Staff, and Commander Samuel Vieira, Harbour Master, accompanied by Mr. E. F. J. Gellion, British Vice Consul in Macao. Shortly afterwards the party will proceed to call on the Acting Governor, who will return the call after noon. H. E. will entertain the visitors to lunch at Government House, and the official part of the visit will then be terminated.

In the afternoon, the visitors will see places of interest and will attend an "At Home" where Mrs. Gellion will be the hostess.

Stock Market Improves

London, Apr. 4.

Maintenance of Cable and Wireless dividend at four per cent. was the main feature of to-day's markets on the London Stock Exchange, causing Cable and Wireless ordinary stock to advance from 43¾ to 46¼.

The general trend on the Exchange in the early session was downward apart from industrials and rails, which were sustained by better unemployment returns.

Gilt-edged holdings after being easier, rallied, while Kaffirs closed steady, although slightly lower.

Wall Street was weak.—*Reuter Special.*

Adjusting Trade Agreement

Rome, Apr. 4.

The latest adjustments to the Anglo-Italian trade agreement were approved at a Cabinet meeting to-day.

Otherwise there is no indication that foreign affairs were discussed.—*Reuter Special.*

The P. & O. liner Allpore left Moji yesterday and is due here on April 9 at about 8 a.m.

BELGIAN BUDGET PROBLEM

Further Taxation Necessary

BRUSSELS, Apr. 4.

TWO DAYS after the general election, the acting Finance Minister, M. Gutt, announced at a Cabinet meeting this evening that it was necessary to impose new taxation because the planned economies and salary reductions were insufficient to balance the budget.

At the moment the budget would show a deficit of 800,000,000 francs, while the last budget had a deficit of 1,000,000,000 francs.

Negotiations for the formation of a new Cabinet will therefore be dominated by the financial problem.

Brussels political circles forecast considerable difficulties, since the principal parties are opposed to "deflationary economy measures".—*Trans-Ocean.*

MINERS ON STRIKE

Brussels, Apr. 4.

The number of miners on strike in the Belgian coal district was estimated this evening to be 11,000.

Negotiations between employers and workers are reported to have been opened.

The strike broke out as a protest against a 2½ per cent. reduction of wages announced by the employers.

The Cabinet met this evening to discuss the situation.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Franco And The Nazi Front

BERLIN, Apr. 4.—An official announcement of Spain's adherence to the anti-Comintern Pact is imminent, according to a statement by well-informed quarters to-day.

At the same time, the text of the treaty signed at Burgos between General Franco and the German and Italian Ambassadors will be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

SPANISH DEMOBILISATION

BURGOS, Apr. 4.—An official bulletin was issued to-day, decreeing the demobilising and demilitarisation of the war ministries within 90 days.—*United Press.*

Italian Troops In Spain

London, Apr. 4.

Authoritative quarters declared to-day that reports printed in several English papers about recent despatches of Italian troops to Spain cannot be confirmed.

In accordance with the reply given by Mr. R. A. Butler in the House of Commons on Monday, the British Government was of the opinion that there was no reason to assume that Italy would not comply with the provisions of the Anglo-Italian agreement, or that Italy would refuse to withdraw troops from Spain on conclusion of hostilities in that country.

So far the English and Italian governments had not discussed the question as to what date the hostilities might be considered as definitely concluded.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Communists In Salonika

Athens, Apr. 4.

The Greek police claim to have unearthed in Salonika a large Communist organisation, with ramifications throughout the country.

Those arrested include 37 Jews and 20 Armenians.

Two secret printing machines and thousands of anti-Government leaflets were seized.—*Reuter Special.*

MEXICO'S 'NO' TO FASCISTS

MEXICO CITY, Apr. 4.

PRESIDENT Cardenas has warned Spanish Fascists that they cannot organise in Mexico a movement which they have called to ally Latin-America in a "military and political sense" with General Franco.

A congressional bloc has requested the expulsion of the movement's leaders as "pernicious foreigners".

The Federation of Mexican Workers has issued a statement declaring that Fascists are planning to attack Mexico from Guatemala.—*Reuter Special.*

A later "Reuter" report says that thousands of workers in Mexico City yesterday participated in an anti-Fascist demonstration, when they smashed the windows of the Spanish Casino.

Two-hundred police were called out and they dispersed the demonstrators, in the course of which five people were injured.

President Cardenas has ordered the expulsion of three Falange (Fascist) leaders from Mexico.

Spanish Refugees Reach London

London, Apr. 4.

Spanish Republican refugees arrived in London this evening. They have come to England under the protection of the national joint committee for Spanish relief, which, it is stated, has accepted responsibility for their temporary maintenance here, pending their permanent settlement abroad.—*Reuter Special.*

Goebbels Going To Cairo

Cairo, Apr. 4.

Dr. Josef Goebbels, who is at present at Rhodes on a vacation, will arrive at Cairo on Wednesday by plane on a short private visit.—*Trans-Ocean.*



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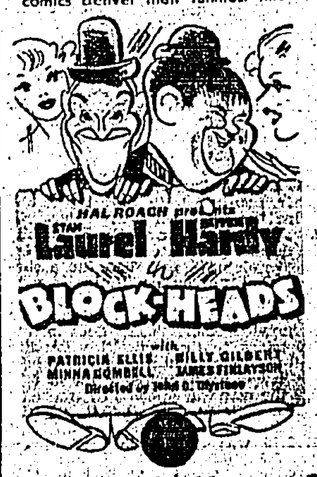




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NAVY MANS A.A. GUNS

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ed all its clients that in "national interests," Lord Stanhope's statement should, in no circumstances, be published.—*Trans-Ocean.*

"Warm" Welcome

London, Apr. 4.

Lobby circles understand that the question will be raised in the House of Commons to-morrow regarding Earl Stanhope's speech at Portsmouth.

According to the fullest reports which can be obtained here to-night, Earl Stanhope's speech included; "Shortly before I left the Admiralty it became necessary to give orders to man anti-aircraft guns in the Fleet so as to be ready for anything that might happen.

"Long before the guests came aboard this ship sixteen anti-aircraft guns could have given a warm welcome to anyone who happened this way."—*United Press.*

"We Will Let Them Know"

Southampton, Apr. 4.

After launching the destroyer Kashmir to-day, the Commander-in-Chief of Portsmouth, the Earl of Cork, said; "Recently the Germans have been jeering at the citizens of this country, saying that we can produce machines of war but that we cannot produce men to man them.

"We will let them know all about that when the time comes."—*United Press.*

LOAN TO A DOCTOR

Partly Repaid Through Professional Services

An action brought by Chan Shiu-tuen, a woman, against Li Tin-sang, Chinese medical practitioner, claiming the return of $300, alleged to have been lent to Li on May 5, 1938, was heard by Sir Atholl MacGregor, Chief Justice, at the Summary Court yesterday.

Mr. H. L. Kwan appeared for plaintiff, who is at present in America; and Mr. Chan Pun-tuen, who had plaintiff's power of attorney, was in Court. Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau was for the defence.

Mr. Lau asked His Lordship to adjourn the case until the plaintiff's return to the Colony. His client had acknowledged the debt in his letters to the plaintiff, who had the assurance that the money could be paid back at any time.

When Mr. Kwan tendered an acknowledgement of the debt by the defendant to the Court, his Lorship said that it was not properly stamped. Mr. Kwan consented to a fine of $50, and the case was allowed to proceed.

The defence claimed that $25 had been paid back to the plaintiff, and $172.40 was repaid in professional services rendered.

Li in evidence said that he had been practising in Canton for about ten years. He had attended the plaintiff in Canton and in Hongkong. He charged her $10 a visit.

When questioned by his Lordship as to what services he performed during his visits to the plaintiff, Li replied that he felt her pulse and asked her questions.

After both counsel had made their submissions, His Lordship gave judgment for plaintiff for $275, with costs.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

BANK HOLIDAYS

In accordance with Government Ordinance, The Exchange Banks will be closed for the transactions of Public Business on Friday, Saturday and Monday, the 7th, 8th, and 10th, April, 1939.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1939.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Third Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Head Office, No. 6 Des Voeux Road Central, on Saturday, April 22nd, 1939, at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending December 31st, 1938.

The Transfer Register will be closed from April 10th to 22nd, 1939 inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. Y. TANG,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, April 1, 1939.

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Examination for Local Clerks

Applicants are informed that those selected to attend the examination on 11th April will be notified separately.

No further applications can be considered.

FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN..

What to do to help a child

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All further steps will be taken, and expenses borne, by the Society.

The Informant's name will be kept strictly private, except in cases where malice is proved.

Britain Warns Mussolini

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although the Government has officially denied the rumours that Italy is planning to move towards Albania.

Unconfirmed reports say that some Italian air squadrons have landed in Albania.

The Albanian Government has issued an official communique denying that Italian troops are moving towards Albania.—*United Press.*

"REUTER" REPORT ATTACKED

Rome, Apr. 4.

"Reports published abroad about the situation and relations between Italy and Albania are tendencious and unfounded" declares a Bari broadcast which is reported in the "Gazetta del Mezzogiorno," which says that at the explicit request of the King of Albania, conversations are progressing for the reinforcement of the defensive alliance between the two countries.

The announcement says that it is not the intention of the Italian Government to make an attempt against the independence and integrity of Albania.

The move is regarded here as a counter measure to the British soundings of Greece and Yugo-Slavia with regard to the projected anti-aggression front.

It is felt that Italy, by occupying Albania, might wish to impress on them the need of maintaining good relations with the Rome-Berlin axis and of leaving Italy secure in the Adriatic.

Italian occupation of Albania would, apparently, unfavourably impress Yugo-Slavia, where German occupation of the Czech provinces is said to have caused a wave of pan-Slav feeling, which turned many people's thoughts towards the British anti-aggression plan.—*Reuter.*

The Italian plane Santo Francesco which originally planned to leave Rome to-day on a "goodwill" flight to Tokyo, via Hongkong, has postponed its departure until the middle of April, it was announced in Rome to-day.

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: Technical indications of a rally are imminent. We favour Douglas Aircraft, International Harvester, Bethlehem Steel, New York Central, Montgomery Ward, U.S. Rubber and Eastman Kodak shares for a quick turn. Some traders think that the selling side of the market is becoming too bullish.

Many good first-quarter earnings' reports will be out shortly.

The Federal Court has set a precedent in labour history by assessing Union damages incurred in a sit-down strike.

EARNINGS: The earnings of the American Smelting and Refining Company for January and February are over the corresponding months of last year and an increased dividend is likely. The National City Bank's first-quarter earnings totalled $0.53, while the Bankers' Trust earned $0.61. Reynolds Tobacco Company's 1939 earnings are slightly above those for 1938.

WHEAT: It is reported that the Rumanian Government will reduce the wheat export subsidy by 5 cents per bushel. We think that the market looks oversold. Private experts forecast a Winter crop of 539,000,000 bushels.

COPPER: The American Smelting and Refining Company has reduced the domestic price by 1/2 cent to 10¾ cents per lb.

LONDON AVERAGES:

	APRIL 3	APRIL 4
Industrial Average	97.8	97.2
Rails Average	55.1	54.8

These averages are based on 100 as of December 31, 1934.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 11th day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No 4132.	Between Kowloon Inland Lots Nos. 2935 & 4044, Ma Tau Chung Road, Ma Tau Chung.	as per sale plan.				About 9,660	$110	$7,245

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4133.	Junction of Ma Tau Chung Road & Kwangsi St., Ma Tau Chung.	As per sale plan.				About 4,030	$46	$3,023

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 11th day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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			feet	feet	feet	feet			
3	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4134.	Opposite Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3475, Bedford Rd. Tai Kok Tsui	As per sale plan.				About 7,200	$132	$14,400

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 11th day of April, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Tau Kok, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 75 years.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, ($200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements N.	S.	E.	W.	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			feet	feet	feet	feet			
4	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4136.	Junction of Pak Tai St. & Ma Tau Kok Road, Ma Tau Kok.	as per sale plan.				About 8,457	$95	$6,334

A.R.P. FOR OFFICES

Taipans Asked To Co-operate

TAIPANS IN Hongkong have been approached by the Air Raid Precautions Office with a view to enlisting their service in recruiting A.R.P. workers in all the large firms in the Colony.

The A.R.P. Officer, Wing Commander, A. H. S. Steele-Perkins, has addressed a letter to the heads fo leading firms, requesting their co-operation.

Firms are asked to nominate one or two of their staffs to attend a comprehensive series of A.R.P. lectures which it is proposed to hold twice weekly in the latter part of April after 5 p.m. in the evenings.

The lectures will consist of:

(a).—Methods of obtaining protection against the effects of blast and splinters from high explosive bombs.

(b).—Methods of controlling incendiary bombs.

(c).—Anti-gas precautions.

(d).—Lighting restrictions.

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It is proposed to hold the lectures in both the English and Chinese languages.

NEW CLASH ON BORDER

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pieces launched another attack on the Manchoukuo patrols near the locale of the previous incident at 11.00 o'clock on Monday morning. The Soviet artillery position situated to the south of the Soviet barracks at Liuchien was also provided with one heavy machine-gun, three light machine-guns and ten bomb-throwers.

The Soviet forces were subsequently strengthened to include 80 cavalrymen and 80 artillerymen with two heavy machine-guns and three field-pieces. The latest dispatches said that both sides were still facing each other across the border line.

Detailed information was not available yet, but it was believed that the Manchoukuo side also had sustained a number of casualties in the series of clashes since Sunday.—*Domei.*

IRAQ MOURNERS ASSASSINATE BRITISH CONSUL

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ordered 40 days of national mourning.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Serious View In Paris

Paris, Apr. 4.

A very serious view is taken in Paris of the political consequences of the death of King Ghazi of Iraq.

France, being a mandatory Power of the neighbouring State of Syria, is particularly interested in developments especially as France takes half of her oil supplies from Iraq.

Reports state that the death of King Ghazi coincides with grave unrest in Iraq. Several revolutionary plots have been discovered recently. In one case the conspirators had planned to assassinate 50 high army officers and Government officials.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Flags Half Mast

Telegraphic information has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies that the funeral of His late Majesty King Ghazi of Iraq will take place to-day.

All flags on Government buildings and launches in Hongkong will be flown at half-mast from 8 a.m. to sunset.

MRS. C. WATSON

Assisted Social Events Of European Y.M.C.A.

The report of the death of Mrs. C. Watson in London on January 17 will be received with regret by those who remember her for her association with the annual Y.M.C.A. Pantomime and activities of the Women's Section.

Mrs. Watson was the wife of a Naval Dockyard employee and was in Hongkong for two years, leaving about a year ago owing to illness. Her husband followed her home shortly afterwards. Mrs. Watson gave her services as pianist in the pantomime "Jack and the Beanstalk," and frequently took part in Y.M.C.A. social occasions.

THE "TELEGRAPH" will send a Staff Photographer to all events of public interest. Requests should be addressed to the Pictorial Editor.

POST OFFICE.

EASTER HOLIDAYS

During the Easter Holidays the General Post Office and Kowloon Post Office will be open 8 a.m. until noon on Friday, Saturday and Monday.

The Sheungwan Post Office will be open from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. on those days.

All other Branch Post Offices and Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays. There will be one collection from the pillar-boxes each day as on Sundays, and one delivery of registered and ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m.

The Branch Post Offices at Stanley, Tai Po and Un Long will also have one delivery of ordinary correspondence each day at 11 a.m.

MAIL FOR CANTON

Registered and Ordinary mail and Parcels (not Insured) will be accepted for Canton and despatched as circumstances permit.

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Letters and Postcards for Europe (except Great Britain and Eire) and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

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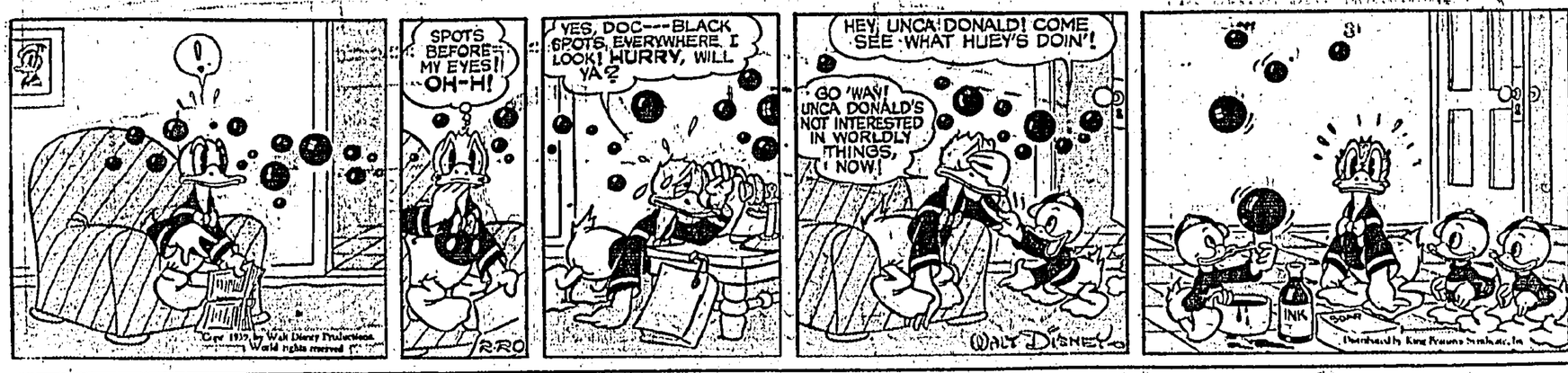
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Manila	Nagara Maru	April 7.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., date, 18th March).	Emp. of Canada	April 8.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date 1st April.	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**April 8.**
Japan	Allpore	April 9.
Manila	Pres. Coolidge	April 9.
Straits	Teiresias	April 10.
Australia and Manila	Changte	April 11.
Shanghai	Glenbeg	April 11.
Saigon	Laos	April 11.
Calcutta and Straits	Santhia	April 11.
Japan	Vitorlock	April 11.
Straits and Manila	Menestheus	April 12.
Shanghai and Amoy	Soochow	April 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Taiyuan	April 12.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan—(San Francisco date, 18th March).	Pres. Adams	April 13.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Wednesday		
Swatow and Bangkok	Muiltock	Wed., April 5, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service" —due San Francisco, 12th April.	**Pan American Airways Plane**	**Wed., Apr. 5. K.P.O.**
	Reg.,	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 5, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O.
	Reg.,	Apr. 5, 5 p.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 6, 7.30 a.m.
Thursday		
Bangkok via Swatow	Hellas	Thurs., Apr. 6, 9.30 a.m.
Swatow	Kweiyang	Thurs., Apr. 6, 10.30 a.m.
Parcels only for Straits, Penang, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Marseilles and London—due London, 11th May.	Antenor	Thurs., April 6. G. P. O. and K. P. O.
	Parcels	April 6, 1 p.m.
Manila, Saigon, Bangkok, Mauritius, Reunion, Madagascar, Lourenco Marques, and (Parcels and Papers only for South Africa via Durban)	Boissevain	Thurs., April 6, 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 13th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., April 6. K.P.O.**
	Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O.
	Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 7 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 15th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Thurs., April 6. K.P.O.**
	Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 5.30 p.m. G.P.O.
	Reg.	April 6, 5 p.m.
	Ord.	April 6, 7 p.m.
Swatow	Yatshing	Thurs., April 6, 7 p.m.
Friday		
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 20th April.	**Husimi Maru**	**Fri., April 7. G.P.O. and K.P.O.**
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, 11 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, 11.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles,—due Marseilles, 7th April.	**Husimi Maru**	**Fri., Apr. 7. G.P.O. and K.P.O.**
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, 11.15 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, Noon
Manila and Brindisi—due Brindisi, 30th April.	Conte Verde	Fri., Apr. 7, Noon
Swatow	Kiangsu	Fri., Apr. 7, 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran, and France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service."	**Air France Plane**	**Fri., Apr. 7. K.P.O.**
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, Noon.
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, Noon. G.P.O.
	Reg.,	Apr. 7, Noon
	Ord.,	Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and papers for Calcutta).	Shirala	Fri., April 7.
	Parcels	April 7, Noon.
	Papers	April 8, 9 a.m.
Saturday		
Dairen	Ixion	Sat., April 8, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America and (Papers only for Canada) via San Francisco—due San Francisco, 29th April.	Pres. Coolidge	Sat., Apr. 8. G.P.O. and K.P.O.
	Parcels,	Apr. 8, 10 a.m.
	Reg.,	Apr. 8, 11.15 a.m.
	Ord.,	Apr. 8, Noon.
Manila	Emp. of Canada	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kaying	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Shanghai and Japan	Nellore	Sat., Apr. 8, Noon.
Amoy	Van Heutsz	Sat., April 8, Noon.
Sunday		
Swatow and Foochow	Hupeh	Sun., Apr. 9, 9 a.m.
Monday		
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels and Papers for Calcutta)	Hosang	Mon., April 10.
	Parcels,	April 10, 11 a.m.
	Papers	April 10, Noon.
Swatow	Kwangtung	Sat., Apr. 10, Noon
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 17th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., April 10. K.P.O.**
	Reg.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 10, noon. G.P.O.
	Reg.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 10, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for Malaya, Java and Australia by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney 17th April	**Imperial Airways Plane**	**Mon., April 10. K.P.O.**
	Reg.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 10, 1 p.m. G.P.O.
	Reg.	Apr. 10, Noon.
	Ord.	Apr. 10, 1 p.m.

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RADICAL CHANGES IN ARMY DESIGNATIONS

LONDON, Apr. 4.

MR. LESLIE HORE-BELISHA announced in the House of Commons to-day that in view of the fact that all regiments of cavalry of the line were being re-equipped with armoured vehicles; with the exception of the Royal Dragoons, the Royal Scots, and the Greys, it had been decided to associate the 18 mechanised regular cavalry regiments and the regular and territorial units of the Royal Tank Corps in a new Corps.

The new Corps will be known as the Royal Armoured Corps, and will take precedence immediately before the Royal Regiment of Artillery.

Cavalry regiments would retain their existing designation, and the Royal Tank Corps would be redesignated the Royal Tank Regiment.

All units would retain their badges and uniforms.

Foreign Legion?

Mr. Hore-Belisha also informed the House that applications to join the British army from foreign nationals would, in suitable cases, be considered, more particularly if the applicants had had previous military training, and could speak English.

Asked whether Viscount Gort would pay a visit to Warsaw and Moscow, Mr. Hore-Belisha said he had no statement to make at the present on any further visits to foreign countries.

Asked whether it was not desirable that conversations should not take place with new allies as they came into line, Mr. Hore-Belisha replied: "Yes, everything is under consideration."—*Reuter.*

ADVICE TO AN EASTER BRIDE AND BRIDEGROOM

(Continued from Page 6.)

But if you and your partner each bring sincerity and patience to your love, and enrich it with laughter and good humour, perspicacity and imagination, you will be resolute to turn your back on any intruder into your home.

THREE years ago I was compelled to spend some weeks in a ward of St. Thomas's Hospital. On visiting days I was impressed and moved by the middle-aged, hard-working, sometimes poorly educated men who came with their dearly-bought gifts of flowers, fruit, or eggs to see their wives.

They tip-toed into the ward with a light shining in their eyes because they were to spend an hour with a sick, elderly woman, whose face was pale and lined with pain. When they left there were sometimes tears on their cheeks that they had to leave their wife behind for yet another few days. But at the door they always turned for a last wave of the hand and a smile of courage to be remembered until next time.

"For better, for worse." Just then it was "for worse," but it wouldn't be their fault if it wasn't soon "for better."

IN the next few days, while we are celebrating the triumph of Christ's love for mankind in His glorious Resurrection, the hundreds of men and women who bring their love before Him and swear their life-long allegiance to one another will, having made their vows, receive this blessing:—

"God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Ghost, bless, preserve, and keep you; the Lord mercifully with His favour look upon you; and so fill you with all spiritual benediction and grace, that ye may so live together in this life, that in the world to come ye may have life everlasting."

That is a grand start. If they will strive to live in love and peace together they will not only inherit God's blessing but will give their children a home in which their hearts and minds can develop in confidence, in happiness, and in peace.

Man can surely not achieve a better goal, a higher good than this.

Assassination In Jerusalem

British Troops Search For Culprits

JERUSALEM, Apr. 4.

THE MILITARY authorities are searching the northern quarters in Jerusalem, in an attempt to locate the assailant of the British official of the Palestine Archaeological Museum, who was shot and wounded outside his house to-day.

All Arab traffic has been prohibited from entering or leaving the city.

Thirty-five suspects have been detained, and the curfew has been imposed in that quarter.—*Reuter.*

U.S. Cotton Offer Rejected

London, Apr. 4.

It is learned that the Lancashire Cotton Corporation has declined a huge offer of American cotton.

It is understood that the offer was in the region of 750,000 bales, to be spread over three years, and which is valued at over £6,000,000.

Representatives of the Corporation stated that the Corporation had been approached with the object of buying a substantial amount of cotton a advantageous terms, but the offer had been turned down in the best interests of the industry, as it would have demoralised the whole marchanting system of the country.—*Reuter.*



Her Majesty the Queen in conversation with one of the unemployed undergoing a twelve-week course of training at the Ministry of Labour's Gateshead centre. This picture was taken on the second day of the arduous Royal tour, which started with the launching of the New battleship, *King George V.* from the Walker naval yard.

EVERYTHING STOPS FOR TEA

If ever a revolution broke out in England, it would certainly be interrupted for the tea hour, thinks Lieut.-Colonel George Vanier, new Canadian Minister to France.

He told the Canadian Club in London:—

"I have seen in Trafalgar-square meetings of protest and denunciation of all kinds. I have heard vociferous speakers at three o'clock— and seen them lose their audiences at the tea hour.

"I cannot imagine a revolution here, but if one ever did take place, I am sure any explosive used would be tea-and-tea."

JAPANESE FORTIFY WOOSUNG

SHANGHAI, Apr. 4.

CHINESE REPORTS here state that the Japanese authorities are proceeding with plans for huge fortifications in the Woosung areas.

They say large quantities of materials have already been shipped to Woosung which will take at least three months to complete at a cost of more than 3,000,000 yuan.

Foreign observers here have linked this report with similar rumours during past months.

However, no signs of construction being in progress have been seen at Woosung by ship travellers.

It has also been pointed out that the fortifications could not be very powerful if only a few months were necessary for their construction.

Attention is also drawn to the low cost making first class fortification impossible.—*United Press.*

H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks $.....1,395 sa.
H.K. Banks Lon. £.....84½ n.
Chartered £.....8⅝ n.
Mercantile, A. & B. £.....27 n.
Mercantile, C. £.....13 n.
East Asia $.....80 n.

INSURANCES

Canton $.....220 b.
Unions $.....460/07½ sa.
China Underwriter $.....1½ n.
H.K. Fire $.....183 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas $.....68 n.
Steamboats $.....13 n.
Indo-Chinas, P. $.....60 n.
Indo-Chinas, DS.....24 n.
Shell Bearers s/-.....82/6 n.
Waterboats $.....9 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Whatves $.....109 s.
Docks $....8.....10 b.
Providents $.....5 n.
New Eng. Sh. $.....6.70 n.
Sha. Docks, Sh. $.....101½ n.

MINING

Kailan s/-.....17/0 n.
Raubs $.....8 n.
Venz: Goldfield $.....3 n.
Hongkong Mines cts.....4 n.
Antamoks Ps.....38 sa.
Atoks Ps.....34 sa.
Baguio Gold Ps.....
Benguet Cons. Ps.....1200 sa.
Coco Grove Ps.....38 sa.
Demonstrations Ps.....14½ sa.
I.X.L. Ps.....57 sa.
Itogons Ps.....27 sa.
Camarines Ps.....57 sa.
San Mauricio Ps.....1.00 sa.
Suyoc Consul Ps.....17½ sa.
Paracules Ps.....66 sa.

LANDS

Hotels $.....5½ b.
Lands $.....34 sa.
Lands 4% dep. $.....104 n.
S'hai Lands Sh.$.....8.80 n.
Humphreys $.....8.55 n
H.K. Realties $.....4.40 n.
Chinese Estates $.....102 n.

UTILITIES

Trams $.....10.35 sa.
Peak Trams (old) $.....8 n.
Peak Trams (new) $.....4 n.
Star Ferries $.....67½ n.
Y. Ferries (old) $.....24¾ n.
Y. Ferries (new) $.....24 n.
China Lights (old) $.....6.30 sa.
China Lights (new) $.....5.35 b.
H.K. Electrics $.....67 n.
Macao Electrics $.....18¼ n.
Sandakan Lights $.....12 n.
Telephones (old) $.....23 n.
Telephones (new) $.....7¼ n.
Tractions s/-.....22/- n.
Tractions (Pref.) s/-.....22/6 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald: Macg. (ord.), Sh. $....14 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pre.), Sh. $....13 n.
Canton Ices $.....1 n.
Cements $.....13¼ n.
H.K. Ropes $.....3.60 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms (ex. rts.) 21.60 b.
Dairy Farms (rts.) fl.....15½ n.
Watsons $.....7¾ sa.
Lane Crawfords $.....8 n.
Sinceres $.....1.80 n.
Wing On (H.K.) $.....42 n.
Powell, Ltd. cts.....90 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. $.....20.20 n.
S'hai Cotton Sh. $.....105 n.
Zoong Sings, Sh. $.....30 n.
Wing On Textiles, Sh. $.....40 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainment $.....6.40 b.
Constructions, $.....1¾ n.
Vibro Piling $.....6.30 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G.S Bonds 66% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 4% prm. sa.
H.K. Govt. Loan 3½% ⅛% prm. n. b.
Marsmans (Lond.) s/-....13/3 n.
Marsmans (H.K.) s/-.....5/- n.

MANILA SHARES

Closing quotations through Reuters:

	Bid Prices Afternoon Closing Apr. 4.	Morning Closing Apr. 5.
Antamok	.30	.27½
Atok	.34	.32½
Baguio Gold	.24½	.24
Batong Buhay	.017	.017
Benguet Cons.	12.00	11.70
Big Wedge	.30	.29
Coco Grove	.38	.36½
Cons. Mines	.003	.003
Demonstration	.14½	.14½
I.X.L.	.57	.53
Ino Gold	.21	Unq.
Itogon Mining	.27	.27
Mainbulao Cons.	.16	.16
Meabate Cons.	.13½	.13½
Mine Operations	.13	.13
North Camarines	.57	.56
Paracale Gumaus	.15½	.13½
San Mauricio	1.00	1.00
Surigao Cons.	.22	.21
Suyoc Cons.	.17½	.16
Syndicate Invest.	.041	.041
United Paracale	.66	.63

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Fritz' report on this morning's market:

The downward movement of the Manila Gold Share market continued to-day. There were but few price movements. Buying interest appears to be lacking and the market closed quiet with little doing. Prices ranged from up ½ centavo to minus 30 centavos, as seen in Benguet Consolidated. Yesterday's volume in Pesos was 332,000. The Manila market will be closed on April 6th, 7th and 8th.

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6.0. Cesar-Franck—Symphony In D Minor.

Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski.

6.40 Closing local Stock Quotations.

6.42 Violin solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

"Tzar's Bride"—Song Of The Bride (Rimsky-Korsakov, arr. Franko); Campanella, Op. 7 Bis. (Paganini) with Piano accomp. by Hubert Giesen; Moto Perpetuo, Op. 11 (Paganini); La Ronde Des Lutins, Op. 25 (Bazzini)....with Piano accomp. by Marcel Gazelle.

7.0 Walter Glynne (Tenor) and Grace Moore (Soprano) in a Light Orchestral Concert.

The Nuremberg Doll—Overture (Adam)....Grand Symphony Orchestra; The Valley Where Wishes Come True (Eatherley-Elliott); I'll Walk Beside You (Lockton-Alan Murray)....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Piano; June—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Tschaikowsky, arr. Lange); Tannhauser—Rhythmic Paraphrase (Wagner, arr. Lange)....Debroy Somers Band; What Shall Remain? (film 'The King steps out'); The End Begins (film 'The King steps out') Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra. The Knave Of Diamonds (Steele); Love In Idleness—Serenata (Mac-Beth)....Alfredo Campoli and His Salon Orchestra; I Wait For You (film 'Evensong')....Walter Glynne (Tenor) with Orchestra; Stars In My Eyes (film 'The King steps out'); Learn How To Lose (film 'The King steps out')....Grace Moore (Soprano) with Orchestra.

7.42 B.B.C. Recording—"The Coronation of King George VI".

A talk by The Hon. Harold Nicolson, C.M.G., M.P.

8.0 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 New Mayfair Orchestra.

"Hide And Seek"—Selection (Vivian Ellis); Rag Doll (Nacio Herb Brown); Parade Of The Tin Soldiers (Jessel); "Going Greek"—Selection; "The Millionaire Kid"—Selection (Mayerl).

8.30 London Relay—'At The Black Dog.'

9.0 London Relay—'Empire Exchange'.

By The Lord Hailey, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E.

9.15 London Relay—The News.

9.30 London Relay—A Recital by Marjorie Ffrangcon-Davies (Soprano).

Spring is at the Door; Passing Dreams (Roger Quilter); I Heard a Piper Piping; The Fiddler (Peterkin); Let Beauty Awake (Vaughan Williams); The Wind in the Wold (C. A. Lidgey).

9.45 London Relay—Sports News and Market Notes.

9.50 Billy Thorburn and His Music.

Night Over Shanghai—Fox-Trot (film—'The Singing Marine'); Two Shadows In The Moonlight—Fox-Trot; Moon At Sea—Fox-Trot.

10.0 London Relay—'The Fol-De-Rols'.

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11.0 Close down.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1889.

Miss Amy Sherwin's Company gave another most successful performance of "The Daughter of the Regiment" at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, last night to a large audience. To-morrow night "Faust" is announced, when a number of popular local amateurs will appear.

25 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1914.

Both morally and materially the German sailor is far better off than the German soldier. Morally, because of the comradely, free, unmilitary tone which exists in the Fleet, and which makes cases of ill-treatment—not to mention "Zabern affairs"—practically unknown. Materially, because—making allowance for the fact that they are conscripts—the men are well paid, well clothed, and well pensioned.

10 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1929.

Lo Hon-cheung, a school-boy, was charged with causing damage to plants at the Botanical Gardens.

It was stated that, for some considerable time past, persons frequenting the Gardens had been in the habit of scratching inscriptions and other writings, of an undesirable character, on the plants, the broad leaves of the acacia being specially favoured for the purpose.

Leaves of the plant damaged by the defendant were exhibited in Court by Mr. H. Green, Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department, in substantiation of the charge. One of these bore the inscription, "I have come to meet some girls," while another had "I love her very much" scratched in bold Roman capital letters with what was obviously a penknife. Another leaf bore, in Chinese characters, the name of a well-known Chinese girls' school.

5 YEARS AGO

April 5, 1934.

Jiro Satoh, captain of Japan's Davis Cup Team, disappeared from the ship last night and it is believed that he jumped overboard—committing suicide.

The tragedy which has terribly shocked his team-mates, is attributed to ill-health and depression. He has not been well since leaving Hongkong and appeared to be on the verge of nervous breakdown.

Satoh recognised the seriousness of his condition and when the Hakone Maru arrived in Singapore, he expressed a desire to return to Japan. He was, however, persuaded to continue in the belief that the sea-voyage would quickly restore him to normal health.

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A pronouncement in the Catholic newspaper, *Osservatore Romano*, shows that relations between the Vatican and Germany are as strained as ever they were. The pronouncement denies the Vatican ever agreed to the dissolution, at Nazi dictation, of the Catholic Centre Party in Germany. Addressing three hundred German Catholic youths to-day, His Holiness the Pope alluded to the sufferings of many Catholic youths, which recalled the faith of martyrs. His Holiness promised to do his utmost to defend them against persecution.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNING

London, Apr. 4.

The Premier to-day announced that Parliament would adjourn on April 6, and would re-assemble on the 18th.

Provision would be made to call the House together earlier if circumstances required.—Reuter.

Nielson & Co., Inc., Managers for the Hongkong Mines, Limited, report 4697.4 short dry tons of ore treated for the month of March; from which 485.00 dry tons of Lead Concentrates were produced, averaging 64.92 percent Lead and 15.80 oz Silver per ton.

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NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: Whose bust is to be found in the Lion House at the Zoo and why is he in the news to-day?

ANSWER: Sir Stamford Raffles, founder of the Zoological Society, the man who obtained Singapore for the British Empire. It is 120 years since the foundation of the port which is now one of the Empire's greatest naval bases.

Question.—How did Singapore become British?

Answer.—Sir Stamford Raffles, an employee of the East India Company, landed there, established a bogus sultan and signed a treaty with him ceding the island to Britain. His idea was to use it as a base for a trade war against the Dutch. But the British Government refused to recognise the new acquisition for five years.

16,000 Reserves For Training

London, Apr. 4.

In the House of Commons, the War Secretary stated that about 16,000 army reservists would be called up for training in the course of the present year.—*British Wireless.*

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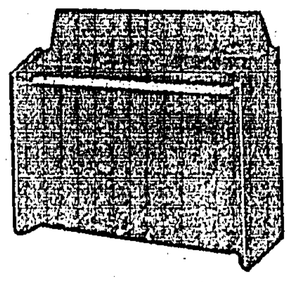
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U.S. Re-armament

EVER SINCE the Munich Agreement unsettled American isolationism, a struggle has been going on in Washington over defence plans for the United States. On one side were the military men who wanted careful, steady equipment for technical efficiency in defence. On the other were those who, led by President Roosevelt, thought in political and diplomatic terms. The Army recommendations, which were finally adopted yesterday, disclosed that the former had won.

A defence programme calling for a total expenditure of £550,000,000 does not measure up to the colossal £1,500,000,000 arms budget which Britain has undertaken this year: nevertheless, it is something for the American people to think about.

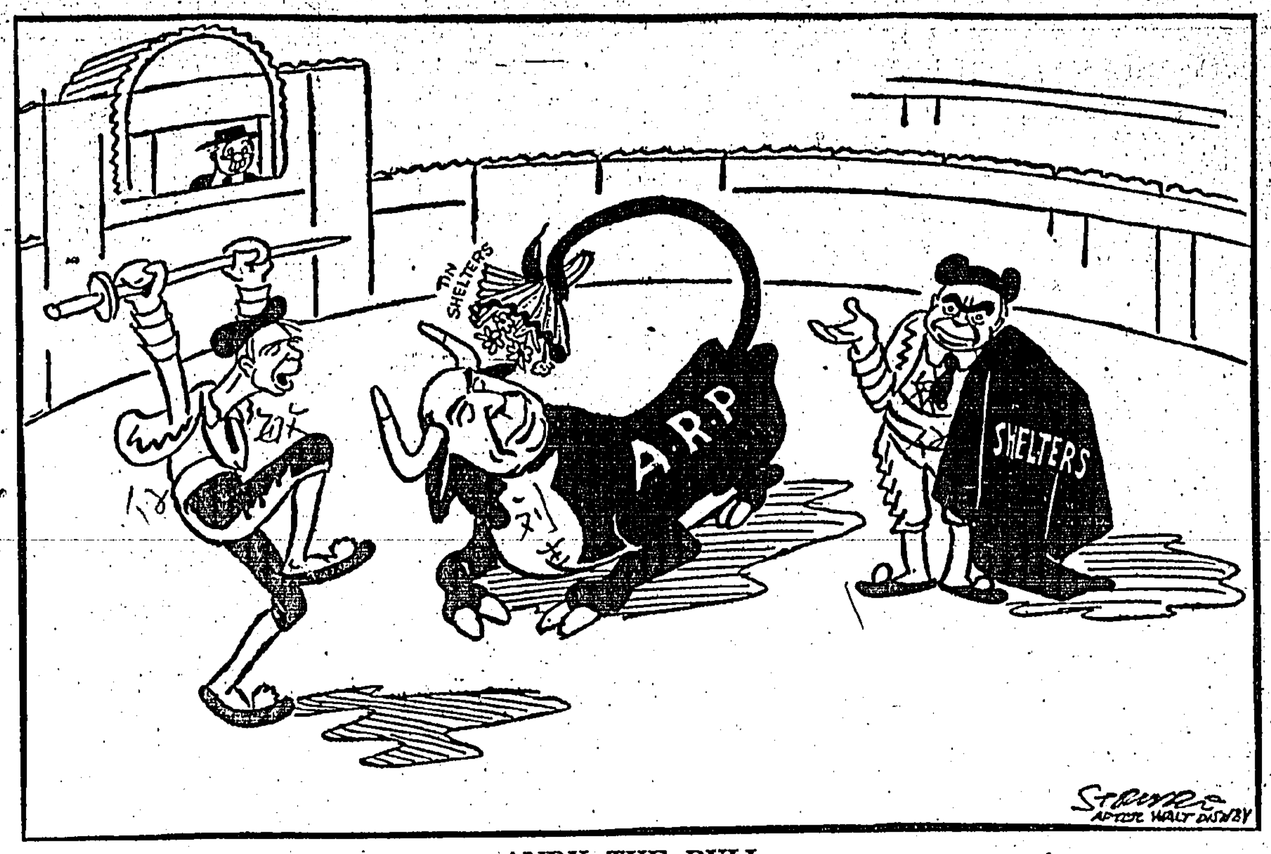
The most controversial part of the programme was the appropriation of only £80,000,000 for new aeroplanes, which was signed by the President yesterday after being passed by both Houses of Congress. It will more than double the U.S. Army's existing air force, but will add only 3,000 of the 10,000 planes which, it had been widely rumoured, America intended to build.

It was President Roosevelt who wanted more and more planes and not the Army generals. And the Army generals had their way. Army experts told Congress that the 3,000 planes required in the Defence appropriation would be sufficient to repel any attacks on the United States. The President, who throughout has taken the broader view of international requirements, protested that greatly increased speed and range of air attacks made the Army estimate obsolete before it was passed.

America may yet find, in restricting its aerial production, that the ignoring of diplomatic and political considerations will leave her unprepared, as she was unprepared in 1917.

If there is another war in Europe or more defiance of American protests by Japan opinion may jump beyond the generals as quickly as it jumped beyond the isolationists after Munich. Those who hope that America can keep out of war by neutrality acts are far fewer than a year ago. And if the American people decide that a great American air force will restrain aggressive diplomacy and will lessen the chances of war, as Great Britain believes, President Roosevelt will find much greater support for such arming than at present.

In terms of a decade ago, the construction of 3,000 new warplanes is a gigantic undertaking. But it is as nothing compared with the superhuman efforts now being exercised by certain European nations.



ANDY THE BULL

ANDY WAS NOT LIKE OTHER BULLS, HOWEVER MUCH THE MATADOR TRIED TO GOAD HIM, ANDY JUST SAT QUIETLY AND SMELLED THE FLOWERS.

After the Disney film "Ferdinand the Bull."

Advice to an Easter bride and bridegroom

HILDA COE is a spinster—but here she tells what she would strive for if she were among the thousands who will be married between now and next Tuesday, peak marriage season of the year.

DURING the next few days there will hardly be a church where a marriage is not solemnised. Brides and bridegrooms will line up to make their vows of faithfulness before God, and to seek the blessing of the Church on their new life together.

How are these men and women—mostly young men and women — approaching their marriage? They have fallen in love—for some it may have been love at first sight—and the chances are that, being young, they sincerely believe that that is all a successful marriage requires.

But "in-loveness," vital as it is, is like the poet's inspiration for a poem. Until he has tested his inspiration by sitting down with pencil and paper and seeing if it can be fashioned and disciplined into a permanent thing of beauty it is valueless; and if the inspiration should fail the poet's test, it must remain an airy bubble, brilliant and beautiful perhaps, but vanishing at the lightest touch.

SO, if you are in love, and contemplating marriage —above all if you are contemplating a Christian marriage, which entails making a solemn and lifelong vow before God—spend time in examining your "in loveness"; see if it can be fashioned, in marriage, into a permanent thing of beauty.

Remember that there is nothing of the holiday adventure about marriage once the honeymoon is over. It is a constructive task for two people, and because in its essence it is a partnership, you must first consider whether you are fitted to cooperate with another, or whether, by nature, you like only your own way and intend going your own way, regardless even of those you love.

If you have been a pampered, self-willed, ill-tempered, dominating child, don't commit the tragic mistake of asking somebody else to share your life. You may get a good bargain out of it, but your partner won't.

LET us assume that the people who are marrying within the next few days have decided on their ability to co-operate in marriage.

They will never regret it if they take time between now and their wedding day to sit down quietly and make themselves fully aware of the Christian outlook on marriage.

The Christian believes that marriage is a "holy estate" (ordained by God and sanctified by Christ by His presence at the marriage in Cana) having as its object the founding of a Christian home, in which husband and wife work together to bring up their children to be good Christians and good citizens.

If you are marrying and have made up your mind not to have children, think again and change your mind, for you are despoiling your marriage before it has begun. You are robbing it of its chief responsibility and its first reason for being entered upon, as well as its most enduring joy.

And at this point you can see how wide is the basis of your co-operation. It is not only a co-operation between your two selves to achieve a happy comradeship, though that is important enough; for, in your decision to have children and to bring them up in the sanctity of a good home, you are making a contribution both to your personal happiness and to the well-being of mankind.

YOU will start your new life together in the presence of God; on your wedding day you will stand before Him and make your vows, then kneel before Him to receive His blessing.

You realise that you are not undertaking a task that can be thrown over when either of you grows temporarily tired, but a task which you trust will be laid down only with death.

So you must bring to it all your powers, all your vitality and enthusiasm, all your endurance. And because no one is perfect you know you will need continually to seek strength and encouragement by prayer for grace, wisdom, and understanding.

I know an old couple who have already celebrated their golden wedding. They made up their minds that from the day of their marriage they would say their prayers together every day, and that—because if they left them until bed-time they might be over-tired by work or over-excited by a theatre or dance—they would always give themselves an extra ten minutes to dress before their evening meal, and utilise that ten minutes for prayers.

Now, if every partner in marriage does something like that, their marriage will not drift on the rocks either of ill-temper, unfaithfulness, slovenliness, superficiality, or any other kind of disagreeableness.

IT is hard for the young—perhaps impossible—to visualise a time when they will be no longer young, when that rapturous "in-loveness" will have softened into a love of gentler quality, when the physical attraction of youthful elegance and bloom will be a beauty recaptured only in the memory. But that time must come unless death, untimely, intervenes.

And when it comes they will know how much more important are the things of the spirit than the things that time has swept away.

If in your wife's wrinkled cheek and fading eye you see shining a quiet, happy, loving spirit; if in her voice you hear tones of gentleness, loving-kindness, and sympathy; if in her laughter there is still the ring of good humour and an enjoyment of the happy things of life, you will kneel down beside her at eventide and thank God for her even more gratefully than you did on your wedding-day.

AGAIN, don't come to marriage feeling that it would be rather fun "to have a shot at it and see if you can make it a go." Somebody is going to suffer for that kind of puerile nonsense, for there is in it neither the will to endurance nor any sense of responsibility.

Once you have accepted the responsibility don't let anybody come between you, or dilly-dally with the idea that a passing love affair won't impair your marriage. It won't do it any good.

It would be stupid to suggest that a man and woman once married should never enjoy the company and conversation of another person of the opposite sex.

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GRIN AND BEAR IT — By Lichty



"You mean to say that Omar—the guy we work for—started all this on a single nail?"

Girl Sentenced

London, Apr. 4.

There were further Irish Republican Army sentences at the Old Bailey to-day when an 18-year-old girl was sentenced to three years detention at a Borstal institution for possessing explosive substances.

Two brothers were sentenced to five and four and a half years' penal servitude respectively, for possessing an alarm clock fitted for timing an explosion.—*Reuter.*

Manchukuo

TO BUILD HER OWN NAVY

But Financial Aid Still Necessary

Hsinking, Apr. 4.

In an exclusive interview with Mr. E. A. Kennard, editor of the *Japan Chronicle*, leading British-managed English newspaper in Japan, General Chang Ching-hui, the Manchukuo Premier, declared that here was no suggestion at present that Manchukuo should make an additional financial contribution towards Japan's military expenses in Manchukuo.

Premier Chang pointed out that Manchukuo was a young and momentarily weak State, so that it was both necessary and natural for her to continue to rely on Japan's assistance.

Premier Chang then made an unexpected declaration that Manchukuo had definitely decided to build her own Navy and that the question of tonnage and numbers of vessels was at present under discussion.

"We intend to build even battleships and cruisers in addition to warships of smaller types," Premier Chang said.

Questioned regarding the Soviet-Manchukuo border situation, Premier Chang declared that though border incidents continued to be numerous, Moscow would not contemplate a trial of strength. "The position has altered for the better since the battle of Changkufeng last August as far as we are concerned. That battle was a decisive defeat for the Soviet. We believe that the Soviet Government has discovered that it will not pay them to adopt a policy of aggression across the Manchukuo border."

"The series of incidents which has taken place since the Changkufeng Affair is designed to irritate and annoy both Manchukuo and Japan and to cause us trouble, but the situation is not critical." Premier Chang remarked.

General Chang added that the Manchukuo Government proposed to make further suggestions to the Soviet Government for a more exact delimitation of the 3,700-kilometre border where the ravages of time have removed at many places the border marks fixed 70 years ago.

The changes which have occurred in the border rivers, and particularly the appearance of new islands in the Amur River, have provided cause for other disputes. Premier Chang recalled that the Manchukuo Government on two occasions some time ago proposed the formation of a commission to examine the entire boundary question but the Soviet refused. Since the battle of Changkufeng, the Manchukuo Government has not considered it necessary to renew the proposal.

Concluding, Premier Chang stated that Manchukuo welcomed the Japanese colonisation schemes in Manchukuo which is opening up new and hitherto uncultivated areas. The Manchukuo Government also welcomes agricultural labour immigrating from China, General Chang added.—*Domei.*

Syria

Riots Spread: Negotiations Break Down

Cairo, Apr. 4.

The situation in Syria has become more serious since yesterday, according to reports arriving from Damascus which state that the Syrian President, Atassi, has broken off his negotiations with the French authorities.

In an attempt to put an end to the uprisings and disorders throughout the country, the French militia has made an increasing number of arrests, over 300 persons in Damascus alone having been taken into custody. A 24-hour curfew has been imposed on Damascus as well as Aleppo, and the French garrisons throughout the country are in a constant state of preparedness since an open revolution is liable to begin at the first sign of relaxation on the part of the military authorities.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Spelling Bee

HOW *many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?*

divisable	dobbin
doggrel	nomeniclture
noll mi tangere	poch

English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 8.

H.K.'s Veteran Car-Driver

Indian With 1908 Licence In Court

STATED TO be one of the oldest drivers in the Colony, Kartar Singh, Indian garage owner, was charged before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning with being in charge of a motor-car whilst under the influence of drink.

Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders said that about 7.45 p.m. yesterday, an Indian constable saw defendant apparently asleep in a motor car opposite the Wanchai Market.

He was sitting in the driver's seat, but when the constable spoke to him he did not answer. The constable then assisted him out of the car and took him to No. 2 Police Station, where the European officer on duty thought he was under the influence of liquor and incapable of taking proper control of the car.

Driven Since 1912

Inspector Saunders added that defendant was one of the oldest drivers in the Colony, his record showed he had been driving since 1908, but this was rather doubtful because he did not think there were any motor cars in Hongkong at that time.

Defendant told the Court he had been driving in the Colony since 1912.

In imposing a nominal fine of $5, His Worship remarked that he did not regard the case as serious for defendant was not actually driving at the time.

Another Protest To Japanese

PEIPING, Apr. 4.—For the fourth time in a fortnight, the American Embassy here has protested to the Japanese authorities against the bombing of American property in China by Japanese warplanes.

The protest referred to the bombing of the American Catholic Mission at Loting on February 25, when the building was badly damaged, and Father Kennelly was wounded.—*Reuter.*

French Protest

Paris, Apr. 4.

The French Ambassador in Tokyo has been instructed to protest against the Japanese Government's intention to occupy the Spratley Islands.

The protest will be lodged on the grounds that France maintains her claim to the islands' sovereignty.—*United Press.*

Appointments To Royal Household

London, Apr. 4.

The King has approved the appointment of Captain Charles Waterhouse, M.P. to be Treasurer of His Majesty's Household in place of Captain the Honourable Arthur Hope, Governor-Designate of Madras, and of Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Kerr, M.P. to be Comptroller of His Majesty's Household, and of Major Sir James Edmonson, M.P. to be a Lord Commssioner of the Treasury.—*British Wireless.*

Lebrun May Be Re-elected

Paris, Apr. 4.

President Leburn, who has been persuaded to put his name forward again for the Presidency at the election on Wednesday, is likely to have only one opponent, since the former President of the Chamber, Mr. Boulsson, has withdrawn, leaving only Senator Justin Godard.

It is possible that Senator Godard will also make a last-minute withdrawal.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Arab Defections Denied

London, Apr. 4.

Reports have appeared in a Beirut newspaper that there had been resignations from the Arab armed forces in Trans-Jordan. Such reports are incorrect. The only Arab armed forces in Trans-Jordan are the Arab Legion and the Trans-Jordan Frontier Force. From neither have there been any resignations.—*British Wireless.*

Dominions Official For South Africa

London, Apr. 4.

The Duke of Devonshire Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Dominion Affairs, will visit the union of South Africa, High Commission Territories, and Southern Rhodesia in the course of the next few months.

The Union Government and the Government of Southern Rhodesia have invited him to be their guest.

The Duke expects to sail for Capetown in May, and to return by air at the end of July.—*British Wireless.*

Mrs. Steers, of 40B Nathan Road, Kowloon, had her handbag, containing money, a cigarette case and other articles to the value of $65, stolen from her by a man as she was walking along Connaught Road Central about 11 a.m. yesterday.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE FRONT TO BE SET UP

(Continued from Page 1.)

Colonel Beck intimated that Poland would consider it a moral obligation to make the guarantee reciprocal.

The Jewish emigration question was very likely raised by Colonel Beck so that Jews could be covered by the evacuation scheme as was being worked out for Germany.

After lunching with Viscount and Lady Halifax, Colonel Beck was due to see Chamberlain in the House of Commons at 5 o'clock to-day.

Talks at the Foreign Office were attended on the British side by Viscount Halifax, Sir Alexander Cadogan, Mr. Orme, Mr. Sargent and Mr. William Strange, and for the Poles by Colonel Beck, the Ambassador, Count Raczynski, and M. Potocki of the Polish Foreign Office.

Quite Satisfactory

"Quite satisfactory progress" is the description in official circles of the Anglo-Polish conversations which lasted most of the day, and which will be resumed to-morrow.

Colonel Beck, accompanied by the Polish Ambassador, had a conversation this morning with Viscount Halifax and Foreign Office officials.

Viscount Halifax entertained Colonel Beck to lunch, the guests including the Duke and Duchess of Kent, Mr. Winston Churchill, and Mr. Anthony Eden.

Afterwards, Colonel Beck had nearly two hours in conversation with Mr. Neville Chamberlain and Viscount Halifax at the House of Commons.

Official reticence is maintained regarding the nature of the discussions.

"The safety curtain has been dropped, and will not be lifted between acts," it is explained in authoritative quarters.—*Reuter.*

Anglo-French Talks

London, Apr. 4.

Closer co-operation between the British and French air forces was the subject of the conversations which the French Air Minister, M. Guy Lachambre had to-day with Sir Kingsley Wood and a number of high officials of the British Air Ministry.

It is believed they discussed points of policy regarding the despatch of an expeditionary force to France in the event of war, as well as arrangements for an interchange of air force designs in order to facilitate manufacture in both countries.

One type concerned is reported to be the famous Merlin aircraft engine for the supermarine Spitfire fighter, and a certain type of French gun.

This evening, M. Lachambre visited the Handley-Page factory at Cricklewood.—*Reuter.*

Soviet Possimistic

Moscow, Apr. 4.

The "Journal de Moscow," the French language weekly which often reflects the Soviet Foreign Office's views, published a pessimistic editorial on the European situation to-day.

It said partial measures such as Mr. Chamberlain's statement cannot foster peace.

The "Journal" urges general measures for collective security and declares that all small countries in Europe, Scandinavia and on the Baltic are menaced by aggression and are sceptical of the position of Poland.

It says Poland sought a common Hungarian front, in reality lengthening the border with Germany. Poland was aligned with the Axis during the September crisis and the Chamberlain declaration does not assure co-operation to Poland herself in collective security unless Poland's foreign policy is radically changed.—*United Press.*

HITLER RETURNS

Berlin, Apr. 4.

Herr Hitler to-day returned to Berlin from his week-end spent at sea.

It is understood that he will be spending 12 hours in Berlin before proceeding to Berchtesgaden.—*Reuter.*

Slovak-Reich Talks

Pressburg, Apr. 4.

Dr. Tiso, the Slovak Prime Minister, and Dr. Durcansky, the Foreign Minister, left for Berlin to-day.—*Trans-Ocean.*

U.S. AND GERMANY

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.—Administration leaders sought to tighten the economic pressure on Germany by which they hope to achieve co-operation with the European democracies in compelling Germany to return to the peace ways or disintegrate economically.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, indicated that the United States is exploring the possibility for negotiations of reciprocal trade agreements with other countries in the Near East, similar to the Turkish agreement, which is considered to have nearly completed the economic encirclement of Germany.—*United Press.*

U.S. Policy

WASHINGTON, Apr. 4.—Authoritative quarters here state that the United States will not participate in the consultations Britain and France are reported to be contemplating regarding the possibility of returning their ambassadors to Berlin.

They said the United States position as regards Germany remains unchanged. This position will continue unless the situation worsens.—*United Press.*

Bonnet Reports

Paris, Apr. 4.

Reporting on the international situation before the foreign committee of the Chamber to-day, M. Georges Bonnet, the Foreign Minister is understood to have dealt in particular with British and French relations, Italo-Albanian relations, and the situation in Syria.

In connection with rumours of the impending incorporation of the Sanjak of Alexandretta into Turkey, the French Government has decided to send a cruiser to Alexandretta and to increase the France garrison in the Sanjak, which at present numbers 1,500 men, in order to guard against surprise.—*Trans-Ocean.*

Bootblacks Saw Theft

Action Commended By Magistrate

TWO BOOTBLACKS, Ng Yuen and Tse Cheung, were commended by Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning for supplying information which led to the arrest of Shum Hoi, 18-year-old unemployed, who was charged with the theft of a waterproof cape belonging to Major A. S. Godley, Royal Scots.

It was stated that about 6.30 p.m. yesterday, defendant was seen by the two bootblacks taking the cape from car No. 2650, which was parked at the junction of Pedder Street and Chater Road.

The bootblacks followed him to the Yuk Yam Lane, where defendant sold the cape to a man for 10 cents.

The cape was valued at $5, and shortly after it had been sold, the bootblacks met a detective and told him of the matter.

Defendant was arrested as he was coming out of the lane.

His Worship passed sentence of two months' hard labour.

WAS RAINING, SO TOOK OVERCOAT

The excuse that he took the raincoat for the purpose of protecting himself from the rain was put forward by Tsui Keung, 33-year-old coolie, when he was charged with the theft of the article from the French cruiser Lamotte Picquet before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning.

It was stated that defendant was seen coming down the gangplank with the raincoat under his arm. The theft occurred yesterday whilst the cruiser was in dry dock at Taikoo.

His Wordship did not believe defendant's story and sentenced him to three months' hard labour, as well as recommending him for banishment.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday says:

Buyers were more in evidence, and in several instances advanced their prices, but not sufficiently to attract many sellers, with the result that business was still on a restricted scale. The market closed with a firmer tone.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank $1.385
Canton Insurances $220
Union Insurances $405
H.K. Wharves $105
H.K. Docks $16¼
Providents $4¾
H.K. Hotels $3.55
H.K. Lands $33¾
China Lights (Old) $0¼
China Lights (New) $2.35
Dairy Farms (Ex. Rts.) $21.00
Dairy Farms (Rights) $15½
Watsons $7¾
Entertainments $6.40
Govt. 4% Loan 4% Prem.
Govt. 3½% Loan ½% Prem.

Sellers

H.K. Wharves $109
Providents $5
H.K. Hotels $3.70
H.K. Trams $16½
Electrics $57
Watsons $8.05

Sales

Hongkong Bank $1.395
Union Insurances $400/407½
H.K. Lands $34
H.K. Trams $16.35
China Lights (Old) $0.30
Watsons $7¾
Govt. 4% Loan 4% Prem.
Antamoks Ps. .38
Atoka .34
Benguet Consol. 12.00
Coco Groves .38
Demonstrations .14½
I. X. L. .57
Hogons .27
North Camarines .57
San Mauricio 1.00
Suyoc Consol .17½
United Paracales .66

Dice Click Off Arrest

New Britain, Conn.

Police Sergt. James F. Kelly's ears were particularly keen when he dropped into a restaurant for a cup of coffee. From a back room he heard a familiar clicking noise. When he left the restaurant he had eight men under arrest. There was only 65 cents in the pot.

French Move

Paris, Apr. 5.

It is understood that France is considering giving the Alexandretta area in Syria to Turkey in order to obtain Turkey's full support in the anti-Hitler bloc and also to insure that the British and French fleets will be permitted to pass Turkish fortifications in the Dardanelles in the event of war.—*United Press.*

LONDON, Apr. 4.—The Yankee Clipper completed its South-Atlantic survey flight to-day when it arrived at Southampton this afternoon.—*Reuter.*

Six Children Die in Fire

Shanghai, Apr. 4.

Six Chinese children were burned to death and eight Chinese women were seriously burned when a fire destroyed a block of Chinese houses of the poor class type, mainly consisting of wood and mud straw huts, here yesterday.—*United Press.*

U.S.-Japan

Closer Friendship Appeal

Tokyo, Apr. 4.

Renewed pleas for closer friendship between Japan and the United States were voiced by Japan's Premier, Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, and the Mayor of Tokyo, Mr. Ichita Kobashi, when they broadcast messages of congratulations to the American People on Monday morning on the occasion of the opening of the New York World Fair.

Speaking through the air for half an hour from 3.30 a.m. (Tokyo time), Premier Hiranuma stressed that good relations have happily been preserved between Japan and the United States for many years.

Reviewing the relations that have developed between the two nations since the first vist to Japan of the American Consul-General, Mr. Townsend Harris, Premier Hiranuma expressed the hope that the New World Fair organized in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the American Federal Government, will prove an effective instrument for promoting the welfare and prosperity of mankind.

Mayor Kobashi expressed deep appreciation for the warm sympathy shown to Japan by the American People at the time of the Great Earthquake and Fire in 1925.

Under the heading, Re-adjustment of American-Japanese Relations, the *Nichinichi Shimbun* declares that it is opportune at this time to renew efforts towards the re-adjustment of relations between Japan and America.

Friendly relations between the two countries form the basis not only of peace in East Asia but of the peace of the world, the journal states.

The history of the friendship between Japan and America extends over 80 years, and it was America who opened Japan for intercourse with the world Powers.

As indicating the traditional friendship between the two countries, the journal cites the goodwill shown by America in transporting the ashes of the late Mr. Hiroshi Saito, former Japanese Ambassador to Washington, aboard the cruiser Astoria to Japan, and the popularity of the Japanese Pavilion at the San Francisco Exhibition.

The *Nichinichi* expresses regret that some Americans seem to regard the conclusion of the anti-Comintern Pact and the cultural agreements with Italy and Germany as a bloc between the three countries concerned and constituting an obstacle to the promotion of American-Japanese relations.—*Domei.*

U.S. NOT INTERESTED

Washington, Apr. 4.

Senator Borah has issued a warning against the United States taking an over-active interest in Japan's action in the Spratley Islands, which he points out is a problem for France. He asserts that Spratley Islands are no more significant to the United States than other islands and territories Japan has occupied around the Philippines. From a military standpoint the Philippines have been long indefensible before the occupation of Spratley Islands.

Senator Elbert Thomas said that the occupation of the islands was a perfectly logical manoeuvre in connection with the occupation of Hainan. It helped to open Japan's path to a source of supply in the Dutch East Indies.—*United Press.*

Wool From Seaweed

Tokyo.

Japanese to-day are making wool from seaweed. Along the stormy coasts of North-eastern Japan, where sea weed is washed up in thousands of pounds, the Toho Artificial Fibre Company of Tokyo has established a new factory capable of turning out five tons of "wool" a day.

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SOUTH CHINA "B" BEATEN IN THEIR LAST SOCCER LEAGUE GAME

ROYAL SCOTS IN FINE FORM AT SOOKUNPOO

Though the issue was in doubt until almost the final whistle, the Royal Scots undoubtedly deserved their victory over South China "B" in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League at Sookunpoo yesterday. Leading by two goals to one at half-time, they eventually won by 3-1.

The game was fast and keen, and except for one short period when tempers became a trifle frayed, play was always interesting. Two penalties—one for each side—were awarded during the match, and both resulted in goals.

After ten minutes of even play, in the course of which the ball travelled from one end to the other without either side being able to find the net, the Scots went ahead as a result of a penalty, given against the Chinese for a foul on Parnaby. Bailey converted the spot-kick.

Despite constant pressure at this stage, the Chinese defence held out. Tsang Ka-wing, in goal, dealt very capably with all the shots fired at him, and on one occasion at least saved what appeared to be a certain goal.

Then in one of their rare raids, the Chinese equalised. A Scots defender handled the ball in the penalty area, and Yeung Shui-yick gave Duncan no chance with his shot.

Just before the whistle blew for half-time, the Scots went ahead once more, Cook jumping on a partial clearance and scoring.

SECOND HALF

Play in the second half remained as keen as in the first, and both sets of defences were called upon to do a great deal of work. Once Parnaby broke through and netted, but his goal was disallowed. The Chinese in their turn attacked with a good deal of determination in an attempt to obtain the equaliser, but Naysmith and Fraser, the Scots' backs, and Duncan, in goal, proved themselves worthy of the occasion, stemming the Chinese attack time and again. The goal-keeper particularly was in grand form and pushed out shot after shot.

Towards the end, however, the soldiers definitely had the upper hand. They made the issue safe a few minutes from the final whistle when Marshall scored from a free kick just outside the penalty area.

The Chinese defence also showed up well during the game, but the forwards were never clever enough to beat the Scottish defenders.

Teams:

Royal Scots.—Duncan; Naysmith, Fraser; Brown, Marshall, Clarke; Cook, Parnaby, McDonald and Bankier.

South China "B".—Tsang Ka-wing; Kwok Ping-tung, Lau Mau; Leung Pak-wai, Lim Tak-po, Lau Tin-sang; Yeung Shui-yick, Au Sze-ngok, Yeung Kam-po, Chau Wai-sang and Tse Kona-hing.

Tennis Programme Postponed

Owing to the sodden state of the courts, no matches will be played at the Hongkong C.C. to-day in the Colony Tennis Championships.

FASTER WICKETS WANTED BY GLOUCESTER

London, March 16.

Gloucester C.C.C. are taking steps to better the wickets at Bristol, which, states the annual report, have been a source of considerable anxiety.

An analysis of specimen turfs by an expert from the Royal Agricultural College has shown that an undue proportion of organic matter was the cause of the lifeless pitches, and special treatment is being carried out which it is hoped will improve the nature of the soil and result in faster wickets.



Mrs. M. R. Burke, who plays right back for the "Y" Ladies' hockey team, will sail for England on the Eitrick to-morrow. Her departure will be a serious loss to ladies' hockey in the Colony.

Television Worries The Boxing Board

TWO SCHOOLS OF THOUGHT

London, March 5.

There is a new television slogan which says "You can't shut your eyes to it." That is exactly what the stewards of the British Boxing Board of Control think, particularly the chairman, Col. R. E. Myddelton.

The Boon—Danahar fight having been televised on cinema screens for the entertainment of people sitting miles away from the contest, it would be surprising if the stewards failed to recognise television as something which may change the whole face of professional boxing says Geoffrey Simpson.

Col. Myddelton, a far-seeing man, believes a round-table talk is called for. He has convened a special meeting of the board's administrative stewards in London. The subject will be: "Television, broadcasting, film photography, and their relationship to the interests of boxing."

There are two schools of thought among the higher-ups of boxing on the value of an ordinary broadcast. As for promoters, some are in favour of fights being put on the air; others are dead against it, saying it spoils seat bookings.

EPOCH-MAKING

Now that television of boxing has arrived, it is realised that a definite attitude must be taken.

The re-diffusion of the Boon-Danahar fight was an epoch-making event in the sports-news entertainment industry.

The cinema people hailed it as a triumph, as indeed it was. Instead of showing championship fights in one or two theatres, they plan to screen them for the cinema-going public throughout the country.

And, as a matter of record, please note that there are over 3,000 cinemas in Britain.

Now, if, say in two-years time (perhaps less) any one can walk into any of the several hundred cinemas advertising "To-night at 10 o'clock Boon v. Armstrong.....world championship fight," what is going too happen?

PRICE DIFFERENCE

A seat at the picture costs 1s. or 2s. You see Boon clouting Armstrong, or vice versa, full size, with close-ups, at the same time that people gathered at Harringay are watching the actual flesh-and-blood battle.

The only difference is that the Harringay crowd has the privilege of watching the men in the flesh and of paying 3 guineas or 5 guineas instead of 2s.

Television of big fights is, of course, fine for stay-at-home boxing followers—but will it, in the long run, prove good for boxing?

That is what the Board of Control must decide. Their only wish is to help the sport and guard its future. There is alarm in many quarters; that some boxing folk see in television a threat to their livelihood.

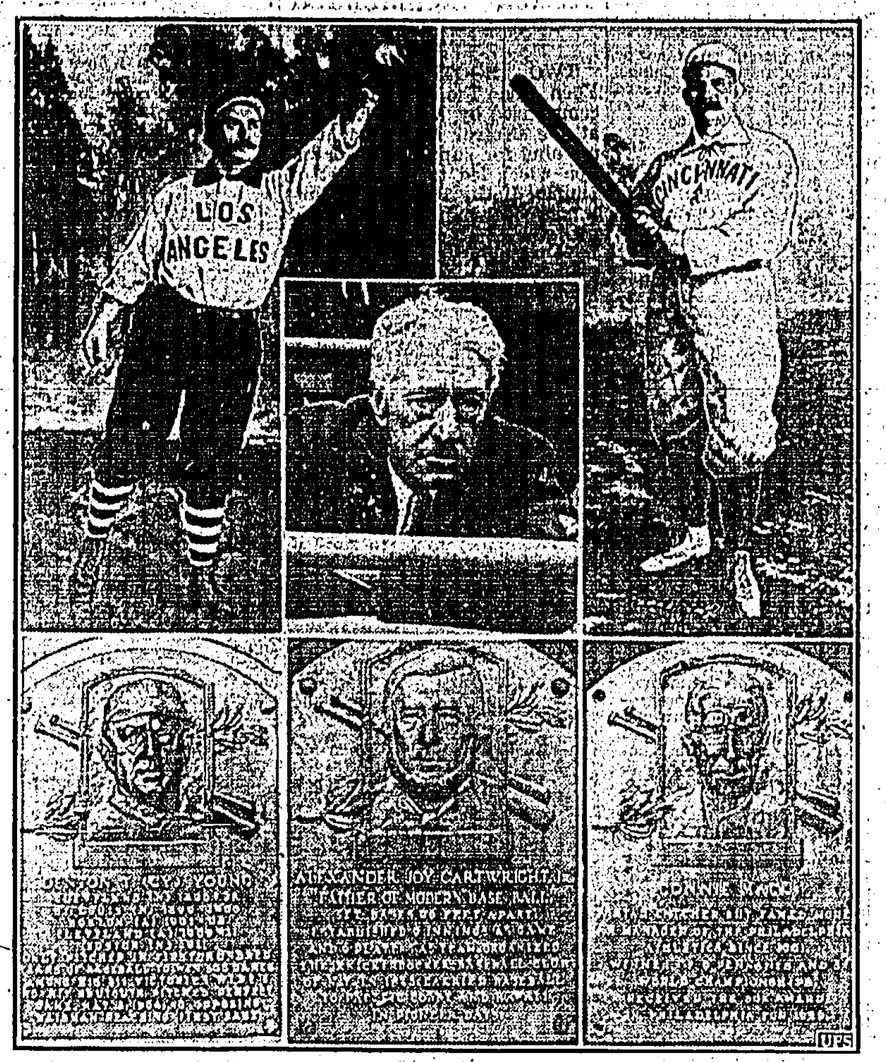
TRICKY PROBLEM

In any case, there is already a strong feeling that if televising of fights to cinema audiences is to become general, then promoters are going to have the dickens of a job to obtain customers at five guineas per person.

The cheapest seats at important fights—and they are a long way back—are 5s. each. In future a close-up view of the most expensive contest that can be arranged may be on sale at cinemas for 2s.

We must remember that television as yet is in its infancy. We thought the first talkies were wonderful, but they do not compare with the modern production.

Even the ordinary wireless commentary is feared by some fight promoters. When they have a sell-out, they don't mind, but when bookings are not strong, they say people stay at home and listen-in instead of going to the contest—especially on wet nights.



BASEBALL'S CENTENNIAL—This year marks the 100th anniversary of the national game, said to have been originated by General Abner Doubleday, in Cooperstown, N. Y. It was Alexander J. Cartwright, however, who created the baseball diamond with bases 90 feet apart, as they have remained for 90 years. At top are two old-time uniforms. Left, Charles A. Reilly of the Los Angeles team of 1902 wears high red leather shoes with pants and shirt collar of brilliant red. Right, Cal A. McVey of the first professional team, the Cincinnati Red Stockings of 1859. Stockings were bright red. Center, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, czar of baseball. Bottom, plaques of Cy Young, Cartwright and Connie Mack at Hall of Fame, Cooperstown.

Dates For Badminton Final Ties

(By "The Bird")

Dates for the finals of the Colony badminton championships were arranged at a meeting of the sub-committee of the Badminton Association last evening.

Two of the finals will be played at Club de Recreio, and two at Taikoo.

On Wednesday next, April 12, the men's junior singles final will be played at Club de Recreio, starting at 8.30 p.m.

This will be followed by the mixed doubles final.

S. H. Boone and D. Kwok are the contestants in the junior singles, while in the mixed doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo, the holders, will again meet M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

Mr. H. Kew will umpire the first match, and Mr. S. A. Gray the second, and there will be an admission charge of 30 cents.

On Thursday, April 13, the remaining two finals will be played at Taikoo.

The first, at 8.30, will be the men's senior singles between P. K. Hui (holder) and C. Au.

This will be followed by the men's doubles between the holders, P. K. Hui and K. L. Yong, and C. Au and F. Koh or P. S. Bun and M. S. Lim.

The Au and Koh v. Bun and Lim semi-final tie will be decided this evening at the Club de Recreio.

The same admission charge of 30 cents will be made for the finals at Taikoo.

SHANGHAI VISIT

In the meantime, it is understood that a group of Club de Recreio players have finalised arrangements for a visit to Shanghai. The players, comprising M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios, Miss M. Silva, Miss M. Ribeiro, Miss O. Ribeiro and Miss M. Xavier, will sail for Shanghai on Thursday next, April 13. They will return here on April 27, and during their week's stay in Shanghai, will meet one or two local teams, including Club Lusitano representatives.

British Boxing Board Tired Of Dictation From United States

The British Boxing Board of Control has broken with the New York State Athletic Commission so far as a working agreement is concerned, but it is doubtful whether the action will cause any tears in Britain.

Little satisfaction has been obtained in recent years through the association with the politically-controlled New York body, and the British Board is to be commended for refusing to accept the slight which has been put upon it, says Joe Bromley.

The British Board first took offence when in February they suspended Tommy Farr and the New York body refused to uphold the suspension on their side of the Atlantic. On learning of the decision, the British Board wrote to New York regretting the Commission's step and gave 30 days' notice of the Board's intention to abrogate the agreement between the two bodies.

The New York body has for long considered that they are a law unto themselves so far as boxing is concerned. They set up and knock down world champions at the slightest provocation, and many of their actions in that direction have been farcical.

Bowls Committee To Meet Next Week

A meeting of the Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association Committee will be held on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.30 p.m. in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Arrangements for the coming League season will be decided at the meeting.

Quist Cures Himself Of Foot Faults

Sydney, Mar. 27.

Adrian Quist, the Australian Davis Cup star, interviewed here, says that as the result of intensive training at the hands of the former world champion, Norman Brookes, who is now president of the Australian L.T.A., he has cured himself of his foot-fault habit.

Mr. Brookes, who was probably the greatest left-handed lawn tennis player the world has ever seen, was very perturbed by the possible effect of Quist's foot-faulting on what is hoped to be Australia's best chance to win the Davis Cup this year.

He showed Quist how, by standing a little further behind the baseline, and throwing the ball more in front of the body, he could obtain the same service pace without risk of foot-fault.

After a few hours' practice, Quist was serving without sign of faulting.—Reuter.

DRAW MADE IN INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

The draw for the International Hockey Tournament, the first round of which will be played on Wednesday, April 12, at 5.15 p.m. resulted as follows:

FIRST ROUND
(TOP HALF)

Wales v. Ireland
(on U.S.R.C. ground)
Portugal v. Continent
(on Club ground)

BOTTOM HALF

Scotland v. England
(on C.B.A. ground)
India v. China
(on Recreio ground)

The semi-finals will be played on April 19, and the final on April 23.

BOBBY JONES' RECORD EQUALLED BY YOUNG PROFESSIONAL GOLFER

By George Greenwood

London, Mar. 3.

After an interval of 13 years Bobby Jones' record round of 66 on the Old course at Sunningdale has been equalled. William Smithers, formerly a caddie there, and now assistant to Michael Bingham, accomplished this remarkable score—eight strokes under the scratch score—when winning the Guildford and District Alliance championship yesterday.

To the 66 on the Old he added a 75 on the Jubilee course for a total of 141.

In comparing the achievements of the two men it is not without interest that Jones' score was made on a still June day, while Smithers' was made in a strong wind. Since 1926 the course has undergone only one major alteration—a new green at the seventh cut out of the hillside instead of the hidden green on the other side of the high ridge on the left.

COURSE SCRATCH SCORE—74

Hole	Yards	Scratch	Hole	Yards	Scratch
1	492	5	10	468	5
2	451	5	11	315	4
3	202	4	12	421	5
4	152	3	13	175	3
5	391	4	14	473	5
6	192	4	15	229	3
7	433	4	16	420	5
8	165	3	17	422	4
9	270	4	18	415	4
	3044	36		3324	38

Except for the addition a few yards here and there—the 11th with its blind drive over a hill being about 20 yards longer—the course is the same as when the famous American player startled the world by doing two rounds of 66 and 68 in the qualifying stages of the Open championship, which he subsequently won at Lytham and St. Annes.

Without in any way attempting to minimise the wonderful effort of Smithers, I am afraid it is not possible to award the same unqualified praise as that earned by Bobby Jones. His was the dream round, every shot being hit to the right place with a simplicity of movement that was almost exasperating. The same can scarcely be said about Smithers. He made a few mistakes and was also blessed with a little luck.

RECORD INWARD HALF

The feature of his round was the extraordinary inward half of 30, a score that has never before been accomplished. His figures for this stretch were 3, 3, 4, 2, 4, 3, 3, 4, 4. Jones took 33, his figures being: 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 3, 4, 4, 4. While Jones did not take more than four at any hole, Smithers started 6, 5, a beginning to a round which would have discouraged most players. But if ever there was a dramatic change of fortune he supplied it, for he was nine under 4's for the other 16 holes, despite a 5 at the sixth.

In the teeth of the wind at the first, Smithers attempted to get home with two "driver" shots and was trapped in a bunch of hummocks on the left. At the second he was over the green with a No. 3 iron. Thus in two holes three shots for a 2 at the 4th and drove the green at the ninth and was out in 36.

PRODIGIOUS DRIVES

He started back with a couple of 3's, holding from four yards at the tenth and driving to the edge of the green at the 11th—a prodigious shot. He was now in the mood when everythink went right. Smithers had another 2 at the 13th, where his tee-shot finished a yard from the pin, and though bunkered from his second at the 14th he pitched boldly out and holed the putt for a 4. He got his 3 at the 16th by another deft chip to the holeside, while at the 16th, with the wind behind, he put a No. 4 iron a yard from the flag and holed the putt for another 3.

His inward half might very well have been 28, for at each of the last two holes the putt stopped on the lips for a 3. It was too much to expect that Smithers would repeat this performance in his second round on the Jubilee course, a stern test of infinite variety. Again he started with a 6 and had two more before the round, for which he took 75, was finished.

A splendid putter, who keeps the club-head low to the ground, Smithers again had a couple of 2's and also an eagle 3 at the long eleventh. He won the championship which Alfred Perry did not defend, with five strokes to spare. Arthur Lacey was second with 146 and Leonard Crawley was not only leading amateur but finished third with 148. A. D. Poulton, of Burhill, won the assistants' championship with a total of 150, his score of 73 being the best on the Jubilee course.

Leading scores (Old course first): W. Smithers (Sunningdale, asst.) 66-75—141; A. J. Lacey (Berkshire), 70-76—146; Mr. L. G. Crawley (Sunningdale), 72-76—148; W. J. Cox (Wimbledon Park), 149; R. G. French (W. Surrey), 150; A. D. Poulton (Burhill, asst.), 150; F. Wallis (Farnham), 153; D. J. Rees (Hindhead), 153; H. B. Rhodes (S. Herts, 156; H. A. J. Young (Sonning, asst.), 156; C. L. White (St. George's Hill, asst.), 158; H. G. Bowen (Berks, asst., 158; T. W. Allen (Hoehampton, asst.), 159; A. G. Matthews (Roehampton, asst.), 159; A. G. Matthews (Roehampton), 161; G. Webb (Laleham, asst.), 161; H. C. Rule (R. Wimbledon, asst.), 161.

NO CHANGE WANTED IN GOLF BALL

London, March 16.

The English Golf Union decides at their Council Meeting on Thursday, March 15, to recommend to St. Andrew's that the golf ball should be left as it is. Headquarters is collating opinions as to whether any reduction in the carrying-power of the ball is desirable.

Capt. A. Stanley Bright was elected president of the union, with Capt. Angus Hambro, M.P., deputy-president. All entrants for next year's English Amateur Championship (to be held at Hayling) will be required to sign a declaration that during the preceding 12 months they have not received gifts or partial gifts of balls or clubs because of their skill as golfers.

The Union is to promote a 72-holes open stroke competition, for the Moore Brabazon Cup, at Hoylake on October 4, 5 and 6. The event will be open to all English amateurs, and the leading 40 players after 36 holes will be eligible to play on the final day.



MATCHED WITH BOMBER—Fight fans haven't much hope that Jack Roper, above, will stay long with Champion Joe Louis, when they meet in the boxing ring in Los Angeles, April 24. Louis, 25, was a one-round victor over Schmeling and John Henry Lewis, Roper, 38, was kayoed in one round by Braddock in 1931 and slashed to ribbons by Godoy in 1937.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



QUICK-FIRE CRICKET TESTS ON THE WAY

Visit Of West Indian Team Being Awaited With Great Interest

London, March 21.

After the weariness of the timeless final Test at Durban, England's players are now gladly resting on the Athlone Castle on their way home. They may also be rejoicing in the thought that they are returning to a series of Tests that will be short, sharp, and lively.

The matches are the series next summer with West Indies, whose colourful, happy-go-lucky players will, unless they have changed a great deal, and for the worse, treat the game for exactly what they are--games.

Nor can England assume that the Tests will be cakewalks. At the smiling business the West Indians are a delight, and, if things come off for them, their style will be admirably suited to three-days cricket, says Geoffrey Simpson.

Whereas one cannot be sure of the English team, who, as a result of consecutive series against Australia and South Africa, have attuned themselves to slow-motion stuff. Look at Gibb's crawling century of over seven hours!

There will have to be a general shake-up if England are to escape from the drawn match. England will certainly not win these three-days Tests against West Indies by their Durban methods. The clock would beat them every time.

REALLY LIVELY

For exhilarating cricket one must go to the Lancashire League these days, in which they start and finish matches in the afternoon. And it is in Lancashire that George Headley, that black Bradman, "Leary" Constantine, of the elastic body, and Emanuel Martindale, bowler of "thunderbolts," have been keeping hand and eye in.

This trio will be in the West Indies eleven.—They are temporarily forsaking profitable engagements in the north to help West Indies, and there's no doubt their experience of English conditions will be valuable to the keen youngsters who will be paying their first visit.

WINDOW-BREAKER

Constantine will be a joy to watch if he does his Lancashire League batting in the Tests. When he is "seeing them well" he is liable to smash any window within range of a six-hit.

He is studying law with a view to becoming a solicitor. He's had a good innings at cricket and is looking ahead. He is 37.

Headley, idol of Northern crowds, has ideas of finishing up as a dentist, and Martindale, has done so well for himself out of cricket that he reckons eventually to return to his own sunny shores more or less independent.

TEST OF STYLES

It is going to be very interesting, this struggle between men with a natural quick-fire style and England players, who, against their wishes, have been turned into marathon experts.

The only regret is that Constantine will not be bowling as he used to do. This great all-rounder was a bowler of genuine "express." He could be a real terror, but the advance of time has told.

He has turned into a slow spin and googly exponent, and has no wish to be a speed bowler. He is getting plenty of wickets with his new style, and as for his batting it is as pulverising as ever.

Martindale is supposed to be the only shock bowler of class in the side, but E. A. V. Williams, from Barbados, is a real "dark horse"—a pace man who can keep going for long spells.

THE TEAM

Here the chosen players who are due to open the campaign against Worcestershire at Worcester in the early days of May:

R. S. Grant (capt.), L. S. Constantine, G. Gomez, Tyrell Johnson, Jeffery Stollmeyer, Victor Stollmeyer (Trindad), George Headley, Ivan Barrow (wicketkeeper), J. H. Cameron, Kenneth Weekes (Jamaica), H. P. Bayley (British Guiana), E. A. Martindale, C. B. Clarke, J. E. D. Sealey and E. A. Williams (Barbados).

Three Tests will be played, the first at Lord's, beginning on June 24, the second at Manchester on July 22, and the third at Kennington Oval on August 19.



Of interest to Hongkong's cinema public is this photo, taken recently in the offices of the King's Theatre when Mr. Johs. Albeck, Far Eastern Supervisor of Columbia Pictures Corporation, signed a big contract with the management of the Theatre for the exhibition of the latest Columbia Pictures, including the best film of 1938, Frank Capra's "You Can't Take It With You," which is scheduled to be shown this week-end. Seated from left to right are: Mr. Johnston Wong, Branch Manager of Columbia, Mr. C. H. Liang, Managing Director of the King's Theatre, Mr. Johs. Albeck, Mr. Li Jowson, Mr. K. L. Chang, Mr. George Sun, Directors of the King's Theatre.—*King's Studio.*

YAMAGISHI JOINING THE NAVY

Tokyo, Apr. 5.

Jiro Yamagishi, Japan's crack tennis champion, who recently refused to join this year's Davis Cup team, has taken the entrance examination for the Naval Paymasters' School, Tokyo.

Together with more than 500 others, he recently underwent the necessary physical examination, passing it easily.

Interviewed after passing the test, he said, "It would have been intolerable if I had failed. I'm going to take the oral examination now. It is being quite different from a tennis match, my heart is beating hard."—*Reuter.*

WEEK-END FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

The following is the local Football League schedule for the coming week-end:

SATURDAY, APR. 8

Senior Shield Final

South China "A" v. Police (Club), 4 p.m. Referee, Omar. Linesmen, Goss and Ip.

Junior Shield Final

Middlesex v. Royal Scots (Club), 2.15 p.m. Referee, Stedman. Linesmen, Clarke and Hinchcliffe.

First Division

Royal Scots v. Kowloon (Sookunpoo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Adlam. Linesmen, Barretto and Somerville.

Tennis Matches Re-Arranged

The following matches in the Hongkong Cricket Club tennis tournament have been rearranged:

To-day.—Handicap Doubles, H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson.

To-morrow.—Club Championship, E. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald. Handicap Singles, T. J. Price v. W. Wooding.

KOWLOON C.C. 2ND. XI

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club 2nd XI in a League cricket match against the Police at Happy Valley on Saturday: W. Mulcahy (Capt.), R. Baldwin, F. A. Broadbridge, A. A. Dand, S. A. Gray, G. A. Goodban, B. D. Lay, W. L. McKenzie, T. A. Madar, R. A. J. Simpson and G. E. Taylor. Umpire, H. Overy. Scorer, A. Wright.

Three Cities After Louis-Galento Bout States Matchmaker

Miami Beach, Fla., March 1.

Three cities—Chicago, Philadelphia and Jersey City—already have entered strenuous bids for the Joe Louis-Tony Galento heavyweight championship fight in June, the formal announcement of which was made by Promoter Mike Jacobs in a memorable session on the beach here to-day.

"It'll draw over a million dollars any place I hold it," declared Mike, resplendent in red bathing trunks. "And I'm not fooling about staging it outside New York if I get the right sort of an offer."

Sitting right by Mike's warm side at the time was Tom Foley, representing the same Chicago group that bagged the Louis-Jim Braddock tilt. He had been banging away at Mike's ear ever since it became known Monday that Galento, rated the No. 1 challenger by the National Boxing Association, would get the big outdoor shot against the champion.

"We're prepared to guarantee Mike a net sum of at least $400,000," said Foley. "I'm pretty sure he will take us up on it. We'll hold it in Comiskey Park, where we can seat close to 80,000."

GETS PERCENTAGE

Also present and bidding was Herman Taylor, the Philadelphia promoter, who held a five-year lien on Galento's services and with whom Jacobs had to reach a longwinded compromise before he could pit Tony against Louis. Under the arrangement finally signed late last night, Taylor gets what he called a "nice percentage" of the June battle, as well as any other fights Galento might have under Jacobs' promotion in the next five years.

Mike seems to be levelling about taking the scrap out of New York. For one thing, he explained, if the fight is held elsewhere, Mike Jacobs is the sole promoter and pockets all profit. But in New York it would be under the promotion of the Twentieth Century Club, and Mike would have to divvy up with the rest of the boys.

The actual date, of course, will not be announced until the site is settled. But it will be at the very end of June or possibly early in July, because Max Baer and Lou Nova are fighting outdoors for Jacobs on June 10.

Galento, wearing three bathing suits for the occasion, cut up like a water sprite at to-day's reception. He even went into the water after having written fairly legibly on the sand: "Tony Galento, heavyweight champ," and predicted that he would knock Louis winding.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)

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dobbin—nomenclature—posh.

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Indoor Bowling

Competitors Defeat Hopefuls

Playing in the second round, second stage of the Ewo League at the Hongkong Bowling Alleys yesterday, the "Competitors" beat "Mindanao Hopefuls" by 477 points. Scores:

"Mindanao Hopefuls"				
L. J. Attwood	118	94	155	367
R. N. Philo	130	108	114	352
S. F. Duknowski	84	122	108	314
C. F. Watson	124	110	111	345
Total				1,378
"Competitors"				
Ernie Hearther	200	187	165	552
Dick Venezia	170	174	159	503
Doc Molthen	143	104	129	436
Chas Miller	131	116	117	364
Total				1,855

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE SECOND EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on **SATURDAY, 8th and MONDAY, 10th April, 1939,** commencing at **12.30 p.m.** on both days.

The First Bell will be rung at **12 NOON,** and the Tiffin Interval will be after the second race **(1 p.m.)** on both days.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE

No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. **Such must be worn throughout the duration of each Meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified.**

Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at $5.00 per day for Gentlemen and $3.00 per day for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27704) will close at **11 a.m.** each day.

Tiffins are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE

The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is $1.00 per day including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

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FAIRY TALE EVENING FASHIONS

PARIS.

CRINOLINES—and glass sandals. Could you imagine anything more romantic?

Yet glass sandals such an Cinderella might have envied have tripped their way into the evening fashion story. Fairy slippers they are, made of crystallite, which is unbreakable.

They are fastened to the feet with straps of silver kid, and if you don't want to slip the first time you wear them you just rub sandpaper on the soles.



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NEWEST crinoline frocks are lovely. They're made of clouds of foamy tulle or lace or flowered crepe, and worn over petticoats of lace and chiffon.

Most of the crinoline frocks for young girls have tiny puff sleeves set in their proper place or half-way down the arms to reveal bare shoulders.

Older women have strapless decolletes or tiny shoulder straps.



Dress for the debutante in flowered crepe. The bodice is ruched, and has three matching rows of ruching of the hem.



An evening frock in two colours—fuchsia and mauve.



Evening dress in pink net with black lace apron. The blue satin bow is reminiscent of the chatelaine.

China And Glass Care

CAN you mend broken china and glass-ware? A little knowledge of this type of first-aid is very useful, and, once you have mended a cherished article successfully, you will probably get the fever, and turn out the china cupboard optimistically in search of further material.

Naturally a really bad "case" needs professional treatment, but for an ordinary breakage a home-made cement is all that is needed.

Make this by beating the white of an egg and mixing it with plaster of Paris into a smooth paste. The article should be first washed and the derelict pieces put to warm until dry.

Use a knife to spread the cement, and spread it evenly and moderately. Fix the pieces together again and wipe off any superfluous paste with a damp cloth. Then tie the china up with tape to help to keep the repaired pieces in position, and leave to harden.

Mending Breakages

If you are doctoring a piece of china which has broken in several parts, one piece at a time should be joined on and left to harden before attempting the next. A little oil paint to colour the seams and match the china would be a clever idea if you really mean to make a good job of the repair.

Delicate trifles of china can be repaired with colourless nail varnish. Brush it lightly on to the broken edges and piece together. It will be quite a strong repair and the join will be hardly noticeable.

Even the best china is liable to certain ailments—mildew, for instance. To remove this, make a paste of soft soap, starch, and a little lemon juice. Smooth the infected area with this, leave for twenty-four hours, and then remove.

When your very best china cups are on duty, always pour the milk in first. Otherwise the cup may develop a defect known as "crazing." The symptoms of this are little fine lines which are actually cracks and which play havoc with the appearance of the china.

If a cup does get attacked this way, never store it anywhere damp, as ugly dark marks are liable to appear round the tiny cracks.

Careful Storing

Remember that the best china needs careful storing. Tissue paper sandwiched in between plates and saucers will prevent scratches. If the china is stored on shelves instead of in a cupboard, wrap each pile in transparent paper. This will keep out dust, and there will be no unwrapping to get at certain pieces.

What about glassware? This, too, can be doctored at home. Alum mends glass beautifully. Melt a little in a metal spoon, and watch that the broken edges of the derelict piece are quite free from dust before applying it. Actually, repaired articles of this type can be safely washed afterwards.

Then did you know that waterglass, just as it comes from the tin, will also do the trick? Paint the waterglass on to the broken edges carefully, and leave to dry. This "convalescent" will stand ordinary light work, but no hot water for it, please!

If you panic at the thought of washing any mended glassware, clean it with methylated spirit. Use a piece of cotton wool, and for hollows and niches excavate with a very soft brush dipped in the spirit.

Madge Whitley



The hooded jacket and full circular skirt of of wide striped woollen in shades of brown with a blouse of white looped mohair make a grand outfit to wear aboard ship.

Should A Husband Tell?

A HOUSE-to-house canvass in England has revealed that many wives do not know how much their husbands earn.

As one husband who has never kept a financial secret from his wife, I am prepared to concede that there is a lot to be said for the opposite angle. and if I were starting married life anew I should keep all news of my earnings to myself.

Actually, the practice of concealing income from a wife is more common among the rich than among the poor. The wives of wealthy men rarely know to within £10,000 the amount of their husbands' incomes. There is no reason why they should. They receive an ample allowance are never short of money, and the exact amount the husband receives every year is no business of the wife.

Among the poorer classes, where the margin is very small, the husband is often forced to reveal his income in self defence as an "empty-pocket" illustration of his inability to make ends meet.

Not a Mean Trait

It is a mistake to think that husbands withhold information about their income because they are mean. Often the opposite is the case, and women who have accidentally discovered their husbands' earnings have also discovered that their housekeeping allowance was a higher proportion of the total than most women receive.

Nor does a husband's silence protect him from arguments with his wife about the amount of her allowance. The wife who does not know is far more likely to ask for more than the wife who does know. Imagination always adds a pound or so a week to the husband's presumed income.

One reason why husbands do not tell their wives is because women will talk. If a wife knows her husband's income, it is almost certain that her friends (and their husbands) know it too.

When two wives start confiding in each other, the amount of a husband's income is quite a minor secret. In many instances, husbands occupy a position in which it is undesirable for their colleagues and friends to know the amount of their earnings and as a requisite, almost a primary, step in the maintenance of this secrecy they have to withhold the information from their wives.

Little Advantage to Wives

What good does it do a wife to know the amount her husband earns? From my experience, very little. If there is any financial worrying to be done, it certainly does not help to have two people worrying over the same problem.

Wives are more easily alarmed over financial difficulties than husbands and the man has the added burden of having to pacify his wife. If there are no financial difficulties, there is nothing for either partner to worry about, and there is no reason why a wife should know what her husband's income is.

In theory it is a very fine idea to start off married life on a basis of perfect mutual confidence, share and share alike, what's mine is yours, and so on, but in practice there is no benefit gained.

Wives are better off without this interesting piece of information, although many of them do not realise it.

D. C. J.

SHORT CUTS

When adding cream or milk to mashed potatoes make sure to scald it first.

Always use freshly boiled water in making coffee. Water which has remained in a heater for any length of time becomes flat tasting and is certain to spoil an otherwise good cup of coffee.

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When Mrs. Katherine Allen decided that her wedding ring was not large enough to be symbolic of what marriage really meant to her, she simply went to the Bendigo gold fields and dug up enough gold to permit a jeweller to fashion her ring into what she thought it to be.

The Joys Of Middle-Age

SOMEONE has said, "To know how to grow old is the master work of wisdom, and one of the most difficult chapters in the art of living."

Many of us miss the joys of middle-age because we are so afraid of growing old. We won't talk about it and we keep on trying to keep young, and camouflage the fact that our milestones are steadily mounting up.

Yet every age has its own joys, and we can't afford to miss any of them by hanging on to the tails of the joys of a period we are done with.

Nothing is to be gained by trying to look and behave like women who are years younger than we are.

Girls have a good time nowadays, and many mothers are apt to feel a bit envious when they remember how their own precious girlhood was wasted.

If they worked for their living it was often at something intensely uninteresting. If they stayed at home they did uninteresting jobs and had very little money to spend.

Nevertheless middle age has many more pleasures than it used to have some years ago, so why spoil one's middle age by harking back to the memory of days which can never be ours again?

A Time of Happiness

Middle age should be a joyous time for married women for they are free of the worry of bringing up children. Their families are probably making their way in the world and settling down in homes of their own.

Then there is a chance to cultivate a hobby. Many women have longed for a garden all their lives, and suddenly find it is possible to have one and devote time to caring for it. And just think of the joy there is in a garden!

Perhaps while their children were young they had little time for making friends, but when the children need their care no longer they can pick up the threads of past friendships.

They are sure to find that some old friends have dropped out of their lives simply because, like themselves, they have had too much to do. And very soon they will find that they have many interests in common.

Middle age can be just as romantic and happy as youth if it is approached in the right spirit.

M. W.



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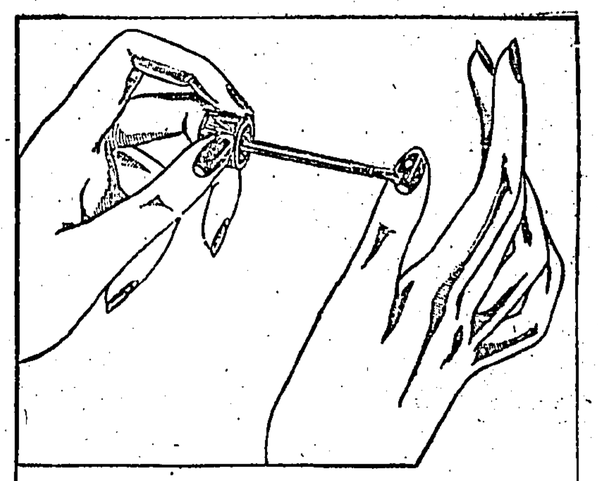
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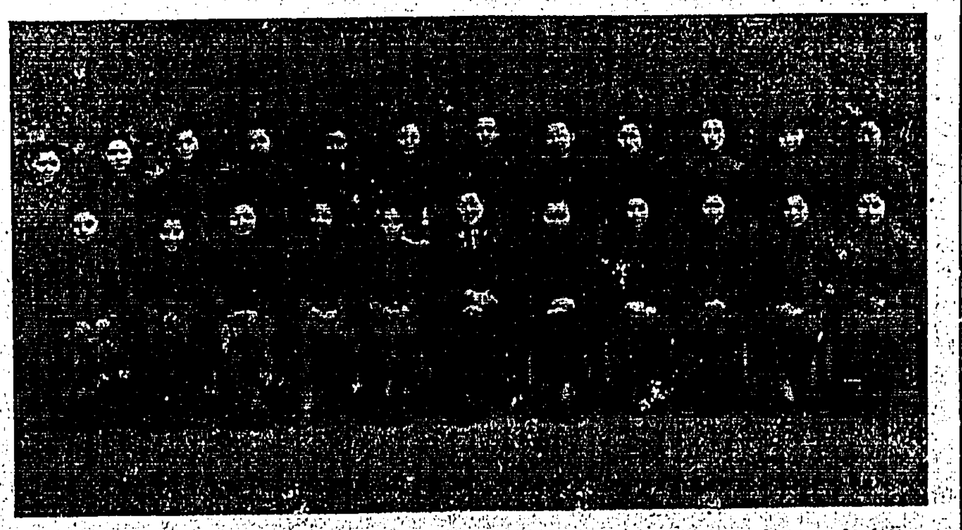
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There will be two dance bands playing on the occasion of the Society for the Protection of Children's Ball on Friday, April 14, Art Carneiro and his Boys and the Dance Band of the 1st. Bn. The Royal Scots. Also, a Cabaret has been arranged by Miss Daisy O'Keefe.

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Among the arrivals from Kobe on the Potsdam were Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jurgens, who were married in Kobe last month. Mr. Jurgens is the March of Time cameraman, and after spending a few months in Hongkong, they plan to return to the United States.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Roger and their two sons will arrive here on the Antenor. Mr. Roger has been transferred from the Kobe to the Hongkong office of Butterfield and Swire. Mr. D. C. Brodie is replacing Mr. Roger in the Kobe office.

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Women are stronger than men, according to Dr. Lester F. Beck, professor of psychology at the University of Oregon. He said, "Had the Dionne quintuplets been born males instead of females, they would not have lived."

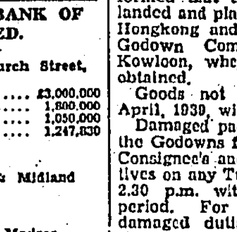
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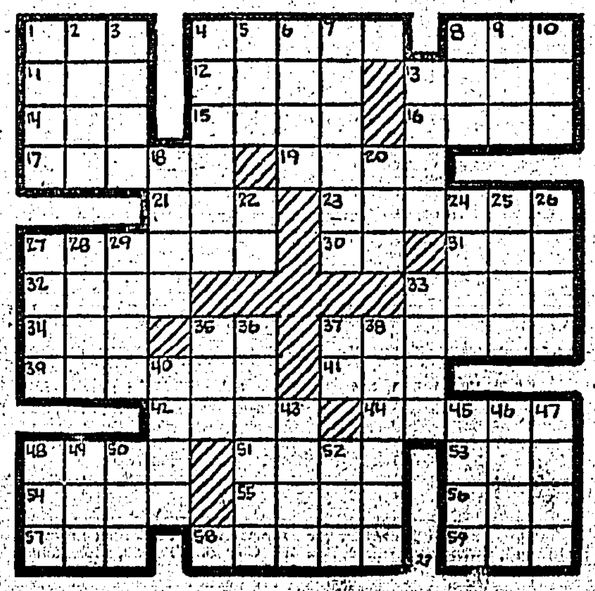
1—Unprecedented
4—Carries
8—Cattle lodges
11—Philippine negrito
12—Otherwise
13—At this place
14—Prefix above
15—Persian Gulf port
16—Vases
17—Him of her (proposed)
19—Essence of flowers
21—Insect
23—Most competent
27—In opposition to
30—French article
31—Curved Burmese knife
32—Norse goddess of fertility
33—Farinaceous food
34—Hebrew deities
35—Note of scale
37—Medicine-man
39—Cotton pest
41—Rocky pinnacle
42—Pitasler opposite another
44—His or hers (proposed)
46—One of Bunda Isles
51—Son of Turkestan
52—Hail
54—Solar disk
55—Outer coat
56—Go to right
57—Busy insect
58—Employment
59—Terminate

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



DOWN

1—Fashion leader of Bath
2—Sewing basket
3—Hearts
4—Pertaining to Pyrenees department.
5—Olden times
6—At sea
7—Free of use
8—That girl
9—Alder-tree (Scottish)
10—Affirmative answer
13—Three
18—Receive as wages
20—Lincoln's nickname
22—Talisman
24—Dutch cheese
25—Ancient epic
26—He who or it (proposed)
27—Does more
28—European meadow mouse
29—Castle
30—Garment of Hindu women
35—Lama of Asia
36—Place of worship
37—Street (abbr.)
38—Hindu spring festival
40—Unprofitable
43—Melody
45—Wise man
46—Equal
47—Coarse grass
48—Harbors
49—Reverence
50—Shelters side
53—Anger (abbr.)



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LATE NEWS

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The recent sensational attack on a European lady in Prince Edward Road had an echo in the Kowloon Magistracy this afternoon when a 48-year-old unemployed man named Li Ki came before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen in committal proceedings in connection with the wounding of Mrs. R. J. Holmes and the armed robbery which took place in her flat, 194 Prince Edward Road.

The Crown case was that Li, in company with others not in custody, stole a quantity of jewellery from Mrs. Holmes and her amah.

"Mrs. Holmes is residing at Prince Edward Road with her three children and an amah," Det.-Inspector Byron said, in opening the Crown case.

"Some time after 9 o'clock on the morning of March 24, Mrs. Holmes went out shopping, leaving the amah alone in the flat.

"Shortly afterwards—at about ten o'clock—the front door-bell rang.

"The amah, on opening the glass panel, saw a Chinese man with a small parcel in his hands. He said he was from the compradore.

"The amah opened the door and three men, all armed with knives, immediately rushed in.

Tied And Gagged

"They shut the door and seizing the amah, tied and gagged her before throwing her on to a bed.

"They they began to ransack the floor. While they were engaged in this, the front door-bell rang.

"On opening the door they discovered that Mrs. Holmes had returned home from her shopping.

"They struggled with her in an endeavour to pull her into the house while she struggled to keep out.

"Two of the robbers then went to the back of the house and ran away while the third man, whom we say is the defendant, persisted in the struggle and made several efforts to stab Mrs. Holmes with the knife.

"In protecting herself, Mrs. Holmes received some cuts on the left hand.

"Mrs. Holmes then managed to run out into Prince Edward Road and the robber ran out also.

"He ran to the back of the house and tried to get away. The alarm was raised and after a chase the defendant was caught.

"During the chase, the robber was seen to throw a knife into a nullah. Taken back to the house and searched, it was found that he had some of the jewellery mentioned in the charge. He was then taken to the police-station where he was charged.

DOCTOR'S EVIDENCE

Dr. F. Tomlinson, Medical Officer of the Kowloon Hospital, in evidence said that on March 24, at 11.45 a.m., he examined Mrs. Holmes and found an incised wound on the little finger of the left hand and another wound on the fourth finger. There were also two very small punctures in the palm of the left hand. He also found bruises on the left and right fore-arms. In reply to Inspector Byron he said the wounds might have been caused by a knife.

The case in proceeding.

The R.M.S. Empress of Japan arrived at Vancouver yesterday.

ATTACK ON JAPANESE

An eye-witness story of the fatal chopper attack on a Japanese, Hiyoshi Sagara, on March 2, was told at the resuming hearing of committal proceedings against Li Ping-chun, 22, at the Central Magistracy this afternoon.

Li is charged with the murder of Sagara, who died of his wounds a fortnight after he was attacked in a restaurant in Hennessey Road, Wanchai.

In evidence this afternoon Yeung Siu-ki, a salesman, disclosed that he was in the restaurant with three friends when the outrage occurred.

"I heard the sound of chopping at about 11.40 p.m.," he said.

"At first I took no notice, as I did not realise that it was a man who was being chopped.

"Two or three minutes later, however, I heard the sound of screaming and on turning around saw a man being hacked with a chopper.

"The victim was inside one of the cubicles, lying on a bench.

"I went up and caught the assailant by the arm. I told him not to move.

"He said to me: 'My family has been killed and my sister-in-law has been raped.'

"At this stage, one of my woman companions fainted. I released the assailant in order to revive her. The assailant was still standing there, muttering something which I could not hear."

Mr. Whyatt (for the Crown): Can you say that accused was the assailant?

Witness: No, I cannot. I strongly suspect, however, that the assailant was one of the waiters.

U.S. PROPERTY BOMBED

SHANGHAI, Apr. 5.—A bomb hit the American Church Mission in Changshu during a Japanese air raid yesterday. Damage was slight and there were no casualties.

Two bombs fell within twenty yards of the compound walls, and four within a hundred yards. The American flag was not displayed at the time but the buildings were very conspicuous from the air.

Four other bombs dropped just outside the North Gate, killing and wounding 120 Chinese.

An unofficial survey shows that there have been fifteen Japanese bombings of American property in China since March 1.—*Reuter.*

SPANISH AIR ACE KILLED

BURGOS, Apr. 5.—Garcia Morato, leader of the Insurgent Death Squadron, who is said to have brought down forty enemy planes during the Civil War, was killed at Grinon today as he was taking off for an exhibition flight.—*Reuter.*

CHOIR RECITAL

A Passion Choral Service, to which members of other churches are welcome, will take place at the Hop Yat Church in Bonham Road on Good Friday, commencing at 8.15 p.m.

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